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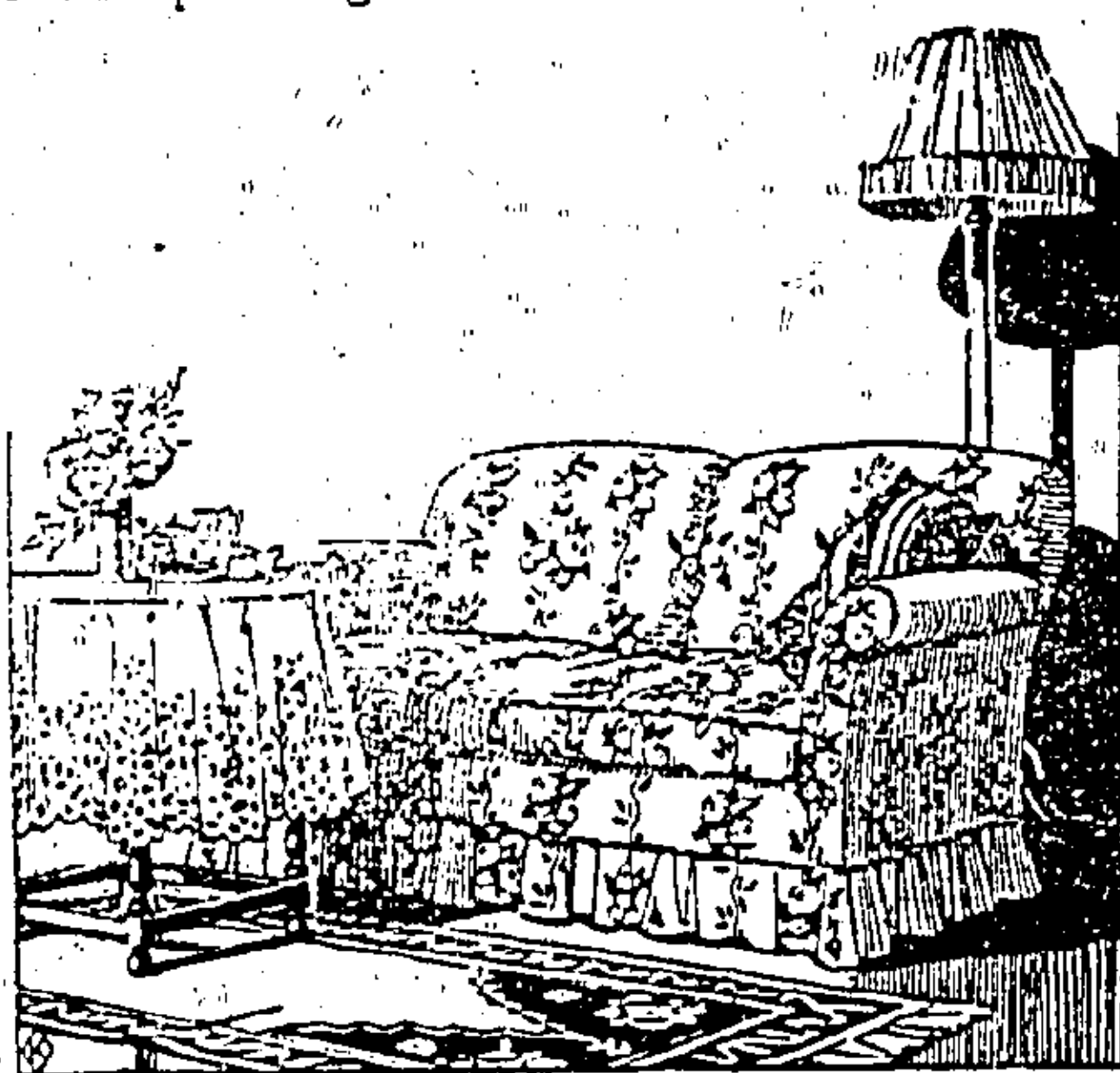
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CHIANG KAI SHEK VERSUS COMRADE BORODIN.

COMMUNIST ATTACKS ON THE KUOMINTANG
COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

SURROUNDED BY SPIES AND TREACHERY.

During the lull on the war fronts interest, as regards the China situation, largely centres in the contest now going on in the councils of the Kuomintang, and notably the re-opening of the old quarrel between Comrade Borodin and Chiang Kai Shek. Our Shanghai contemporary, the *North China Daily News*, gives the following account of the recent dissensions, and the struggles of the Commander-in-Chief for a policy of sanity and moderation against Bolshevik sabotage.

The plenary session of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang which was to have taken place in Nanchang on March 1st, has not yet been held. A quarrel developed between General Chiang Kai Shek and Mr. George Hsu Chien over the question of the place of the meeting.

General Chiang, who is bitterly opposed to the C.P. and who therefore will not come to Hankow, insisted that the actual capital is Nanchang and that therefore the meeting must be held there. Hsu Chien, who represents the C.P. and is Borodin's chief political tool in China, started a propaganda against Nanchang and against General Chiang.

It is understood in Shanghai that Comrade Borodin actually visited General Chiang in Nanchang in this connection but that he made no progress, the commander-in-chief of the Nationalist Army refusing to consider himself subject to the will of the Communist Party of China, whose strength in Hankow arises from the large bodies of unemployed there, who bend the Government to their will through mass action.

C.P. Assault on Chiang.

Since the beginning of this month, the C.P. has hurled a furious attack on General Chiang. He has been denounced as a neo-Marxist and has been accused of being worse than Marshal Chang Tso Lin. The most serious charge against him is that of autocracy, of building up his own political and military machine at the expense of the party and of attempting to utilize the conquests of the revolutionary army for personal aggrandizement. Mr. George Hsu Chien has been particularly bitter in his attacks, as he is fighting for the supremacy of the Left Wing against the Centre, which is led by General Chiang.

It was understood that at the plenary session, the Right Wing would be present at the invitation of General Chiang and that the Right and Centre Wings, representing the entire genuine Kuomintang membership would unite to drive out the C.P. and Comrade Borodin. The Communists led by Mr. Hsu Chien naturally fought this move as, if Comrade Borodin disappeared, they would have no support in the party or the Government.

In one of the circulars, it was alleged that General Chiang had amassed a huge fortune of many millions of dollars and that he was therefore now opposed to Communism. "Because of this opposition," he should be hated as much as Marshal Chang Tso Lin and all labourers should rise against him." These circulars all have their inspiration in the C.P., which is

now seeking to destroy the Centre Party as it destroyed the Right Wing politically.

Moscow Tactics.

The tactics of the C.P., as evolved in Moscow, may be summed up in the phrase "join and divide." They do not work from without, but rather join a movement and once inside, bore from within. So, in 1923, the C.P. joined the Kuomintang and immediately began to divide the party into groups and cliques.

Last year, when Comrade Borodin returned from Moscow, he decided the time was ripe to use the Centre Party to drive the Right Wing out of the Government. The fact of the Northern Expedition gave him the opportunity he wanted and he was able to force General Chiang Kai Shek into the position of betraying the Right Wing, with which he was most closely associated.

By permitting himself to be used in this way, General Chiang placed himself in an exceedingly awkward position. For practically all the civilian offices in the Government and the control of the party machinery fell into the hands of Left Wing Extremists and the Communist Party of China. He could not work with these men who have, in many respects, vitiated the value of his military success by the extremism of their actions.

Chiang's Move to the Right.

General Chiang is therefore moving steadily toward the Right, but he is still apparently not sufficiently daring to take drastic steps against the Left Wing and the C.P. and to take hold of the situation in Hupeh as well as in Kiangsi. Gradually, he is finding himself with an organization in which there are no Kuomintang members, but only C.P.'s or personal agents of his arch enemy, Comrade Borodin. He is surrounded by Borodin's spies and associates. He is seeking to effect a union with the Right Wing so that he may still have civilians to work with who have a reputation in the country as Kuomintang leaders, but these men will not return to assist him, unless he shows daring and a clear-cut decision as regards the C.P. and Comrade Borodin.

By keeping out of the present quarrel, the Right Wing gives the appearance of inertia and of having ceased to be a political factor but as a matter of fact, they possess keen political wisdom. For Comrade Borodin would probably use their return to Nanchang to begin the issue between Nanchang and Hankow, which is whether he is to remain as dictator of the Nationalist Government or whether a Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang minus the C.P. members shall rule.

A SINGAPORE MURDER.

CHINESE YOUTH KILLED AND
OLD MAN WOUNDED.

A most mysterious murder took place on the five foot way in Mosque Street, Singapore, at about 7.5 p.m., March 2nd.

Two shots suddenly rang out and a youth, who was looking into a shop window, was hit in the abdomen. He died later in hospital from the wound.

At the same time an old Chinese, who had just come out of a shop after making a purchase of chandou was hit by the other bullet. The old man received a compound fracture of the right arm, but his injuries are not serious.

At the present the police are quite unable to assign a motive for the murder, but are of opinion that it was the boy for whom the shots were intended. The murderer made good his escape.

HEALTH AT EASTERN PORTS.

The health bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending March 6th states:—

Plague.

1 case at Tamatave.
4 cases at Bombay.
5 cases at Rangoon.
4 cases at Colombo.
2 cases at Sourabaya.
1 case at Macassar.
1 case at Bangkok.
1 case at Saigon.

Cholera.

35 cases at Calcutta.
1 case at Madras.
4 cases at Rangoon.
13 cases at Bangkok.

Small-pox.

71 cases at Bombay.
208 cases at Calcutta.
32 cases at Madras.
43 cases at Rangoon.
1 case at Vilepariam.
10 cases at Bangkok.
2 cases at Shanghai.

AMERICAN MARINES AT SHANGHAI.

ROUTE MARCH THROUGH
THE SETTLEMENT.

GREAT WAR VETERANS AND
EXPERT SHOTS.

The first route march of the 4th Regiment of "Devil Dogs," U.S. Marines was on Saturday last, when after landing at the Customs Jetty in tenders, they formed in company line and marched to Bubbling Well Cemetery, via Peking, Carter, and Avenue Roads, returning to their point of embarkation along Bubbling Well Road.

Nearly 1,600 men formed the column, many of whom have had experience in France, and others of whom, including the majority, served in San Domingo and later as guards on American mail liners. About 40 per cent. of the men were expert marksmen's medals, while less than 20 per cent. were without some token of ability with the rifle. Not a few were both rifle medals with bars and the leafed medal for efficiency with the pistol.

Some of the Americans who witnessed the parade knew from their American affiliations, and recognized three all-American football players who are now serving as officers with the unit. Others recognized professional pugilists of American reputation among the enlisted men.

An Imposable Band.

At the head of the parade were Col. C. S. Hill and Lieut. Col. F. D. Kilgore and several majors and captains attached to the regimental staff. Immediately behind marched the 75-piece band, including fifes and drums. Capt. Corbett's company was the first in line.

To the martial strains of the band, which played Souza's "Stars and Stripes for Ever," and the same composer's "Under the Double Eagle," the regiment moved off. Americans and British alike applauded. Through congested Peking Road, which the traffic department had cleared for the march, the men moved forward, the head of the column nearing Honan Road as the flag bearers swung around Ewo corner.

As this was the first American unit to march through the Settlement, large numbers of American women and school children lined the pavement while they passed, and not a few Chinese remarked about the military bearing and clean-cut appearance of the "Devil Dogs."

Halt at the Race Course.

The men marched all the way to the cemetery and back to the Race Course without a stop. At the Loong-Fei gate, Col. Hill issued the order of column right over the baseball field, the further end of the column coming to a halt near the further end of the grandstand. The men were given 15 minutes' liberty on the grounds and most of them went over the spacious place, fraternizing with British soldiers or listening to a regimental band or the pleasure of witnessing the Punjab in a drill.

The bugler brought them back at the expiration of leave and the column re-formed facing Bubbling Well Road. The order of "right about" came, the band struck up again and the column took possession of Nanking Road to the Bund. They moved into the Public Gardens, filling them completely, one battalion to each side of the statue. The tenders were on hand, the men embarked and returned to the Chaimont just in time for a delayed "lunch."

£20 BECOMES £200,000.

INVESTMENT ROMANCE OF A
U.S.A. GIRL.

How £20 entrusted by a girl to her brother twenty-four years ago to invest brought her a return of nearly £200,000 was disclosed in a case heard before the United States Court of Tax Appeals at Detroit. The girl is now Mrs. Rosetta V. Hausa, and her brother is United States Senator James Couzens.

Mrs. Hausa, in the ten years that followed her modest investment, received £3,400 in dividends from the Ford Motor Company, and when it was recapitalized in 1915 she received £10,000 worth of stock. The £20,000 grew to £22,000 four years later, and in the meantime Mrs. Hausa's dividends had reached £82,000.

Her interests in the company continued to accumulate until the total she received approached the million dollar mark.

MISSIONARIES LONELY QUEST TO MONGOLIA.

TO FIGHT DEVIL WORSHIP.

RETURN TO CHINA FROM
RETIREMENT.

Drawn from retirement by the Churches' world-call for missionaries, the Rev. F. J. Griffith, of Clifton, Bristol, is looking forward with eagerness to his new work in Mongolia, where he goes next spring.

"The first thing I shall do when I get there," he said, "will be to sweep down the room of the Chinese inn at which I shall stay, white wash and sulphur the walls, and put two panes of glass in the window-frames in place of the paper covering it. For I know what to expect."

Although 57 years of age, Mr. Griffith is going, as a pioneer missionary, to attempt to restore Christianity in a country where it has been practically unknown since the sixth or seventh century.

There are no Christian missionaries in Mongolia, so far as Mr. Griffith knows, although mission stations exist on the fringe of this vast province.

Mr. Griffith's headquarters will be at Pao-tow, 500 miles west of Peking, on the edge of the great Gobi Desert.

Here he will be the only English-speaking person within 250 miles, and his only companion a Chinese mission helper.

Mr. Griffith has already spent nearly 30 years as a missionary in China. He returned to Bristol (where he has been educated) on retiring in 1921.

"In Mongolia 'devil worship' is known; but I do not anticipate much religious antagonism. The chief difficulty at first will be to learn the language."

"Pao-tow," continued Mr. Griffith, "is 3,000 feet above sea level. In summer the temperature is 110 in the shade; in winter it falls to 40 degrees below zero."

"But it is an adventure worth coming out of retirement for."

SNORE'S PART IN A LAW-SUIT.

Pitched out of a side-car on her nose, a Liverpool woman was so injured that she has since been able to breathe through one nostril only. As a result she snores so violently that not only has her husband to occupy another bedroom, but she frequently wakes herself up during the night.

She sued for personal damages at Liverpool Assizes and was awarded £200.

EXCHANGE.

OPENING QUOTATIONS.

March 11th, 1927.

On London—	Telegraphic Transfer	1/11 1/2
	Bank Bills, on demand	1/11 1/2
	Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/11 1/2
	Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/11 1/2
	Credit, at 4 months' sight	2/0 1/2
	Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	2/0 1/2
On PARIS—	Bank Bills, on demand	1220
	Credit, 4 months' sight	1235
On NEW YORK—	Bank Bills, on demand	47 1/2
	Credit, at 30 days' sight	49 1/2
On BOMBAY—	Telegraphic Transfer	131 1/2
	Bank Bills, on demand	131 1/2
On CALCUTTA—	Telegraphic Transfer	131 1/2
	Bank Bills, on demand	131 1/2
On SHANGHAI—	Bank Bills, at sight	nom.
	Private, 30 days' sight	97
On YOKOHAMA—	On demand	85 1/2
On MANILA—	On demand	85 1/2
On SINGAPORE—	On demand	119 1/2
On BATAVIA—	On demand	nom.
On HAIPOONG—	On demand	nom.
On SAIGON—	On demand	84 1/2
On BANGKOK—	On demand	84 1/2
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Bombay	1/11 1/2
New York	4.85 1/2
Geneva	25.32
Milan	109.05
Stockholm	18.16
Oslo	16.88 1/2
Prague	162 1/2
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Do.	213 1/2 nom.
P. & O. Bank	232 buy.
East Asia Bank	274 sel.
Canton Insurance	240 nom.
China Underwriters	240 nom.
North China Ins.	174, 145 nom.
Union Insurance	225 buy.
Yangtze Insurance	Mer. 230 nom.
China Fire Insurance	2200 buy.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	2415 buy.
Dongas	231 1/2 nom.
Steamships	224 sel.
Kong Fung	210 nom.
Indo-China (Frst)	240 sel.
Do. (2nd)	240 buy.
Shell Transport	28 1/2 nom.
Star Ferris	255 ss.
Waterworks	214 nom.
China Sugars	242 sel.
Malayan Sugars	244 nom.
Emagata	2120 nom.
Kasian Mining	28 1/2 nom.
Langkat (combined)	211, 211 buy.
Do. (single)	211 nom.
S'hai Explorations	214, 4 nom.
Shanghai Loans	214, 7 nom.
Rails	24 sel.
Tonghai Mines	21 1/2 buy.
Ural Campan	21 1/2 nom.
H.K. & W. Dock	212 sel.
Hongkows	214, 171 buy.
New Engineering	214, 54 buy.
Shanghai Docks	214, 102 buy.
H.K. & S. Hotels	27, 35 sel.
H.K. Lands	244 nom.
Hong Kong Realty	24, 50 buy.
H.K. Territorial	24 sel.
Humphreys Estates	243 buy.
Prince's Buildings	243 nom.
Kanal Lands	214 sel.
Ewo Cottons	214, 84 buy.
Oriental	214, 24 nom.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	214, 54 buy.
Do. (new)	214, 27 buy.
China Buses	214, 84 nom.
H.K. Tramways	214, 80, 80 ss.
Peak Tram (old)	214 buy.
Do. (new)	214 buy.
Singapore Tramway	211 sel.
Taxis	21 sel.
Amusements	218, 60 nom.
Canton Loco	24 nom.
Cement (combined)	27 buy.
Do. (old)	28 nom.
Do. (new)	28 sel.
China Light & Comb.	214 buy.
Do. (old)	211 nom.
Do. (new)	211 nom.
China Provident	24 sel. & ss.
Constructions	22, 20 nom.
Dairy Farms	244 nom.
Der & Wing	244 sel.
H.K. Electric	244 nom.
Macao Electric	244 nom.
H.K. Ropes (old)	211 nom.
Do. (new)	211 sel.
Lane Crawfords	214 buy.
Macintosh	214 nom.
Shimoda	244 buy.
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Sunday School at 10 a.m.
Matins at 11 a.m.—
Preacher:—Rev. F. W. L. Martin.
Subject:—"CHRISTIAN CHARACTERISTICS."
Evening at 6 p.m.:—
Preacher:—Rev. N. V. Howard, M.C.
Subject:—"KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH PRAYER."
THURSDAY, March 17th:—
Holy Communion at 7.45 a.m.
Choral Evensong and Address by Rev. G. H. Hewitt, M.A., at 5.45 p.m.
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P.S.A. for Men in Lecture Hall at 4 p.m.
Evening Service at 8 p.m.:—
Hymns: 72, 476, 560, 492 and 629.
Preacher:—Rev. J. K. Macdonald.
Subject:—"THE MAN WHO WAS ALONE."
WEDNESDAY, March 16th, at 8.15 p.m.:—
Soldiers' and Sailors' Christian Association.
FRIDAY, March 18th, at 8.30 p.m.:—
Christian Endeavour Meeting and Social Hour.
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Subject:—"SUBSTANCE."
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GREAT BRITAIN'S AIR POLICY.

IMPERIAL AND NOT PAROCHIAL.

AIR MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

FLIGHTS ACROSS AFRICA AND TO THE FAR EAST.

[BRITISH OFFICIAL WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rome, March 10th.
On the motion to go into committee of supply on the Air Estimates, Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for Air, made his annual statement of the policy of the Air Ministry. He said that the House should observe three significant features in the estimates. Firstly, they made provision for a substantially stronger air force for less money than was needed last year; secondly, they showed a large reduction in expenditure upon the Middle East, and, thirdly, they embodied in a conspicuous manner the considered policy of replacing old machines by new types.

He warned the House that while a close scrutiny of establishments and a slowing down of the expansion programme had for the coming year made possible a three per cent. reduction in the net estimates heavy commitments in connection with the defence programme were bound to involve an increase of expenditure in future years. While the Air Estimates were down by three per cent. for the coming year the strength of the Air Force was none the less being increased by nearly 10 per cent. Those who were sincerely interested in the progress of flying would welcome the forward move made in the estimates for reforming our squadrons with both new machines and engines. All Home Defence regular squadrons were already equipped with new types and he hoped at the end of the year two-thirds of the whole force would be in the same position. The vote providing for new machines and engines showed a net increase of £330,000. It could not therefore be said that in an effort to reduce expenditure he was sacrificing the vote for new material and scientific and technical research.

Improvement in Middle East.
Sir Samuel pointed out that in the Middle East British defence expenditure in Iraq alone was over twenty millions sterling in 1921 whereas to-day it had been reduced to about one-tenth of that amount. What better example could there be of the internal progress, better order, security and peace that for the first time for centuries was beginning to make itself felt in the Middle East than the fact that during the last twelve months there had been no military operation of a serious kind in any part of the country.

Imperialistic Outlook and Policy Needed.
Continuing, Sir Samuel said that for the first time in the Air Estimates the supreme importance of our Imperial air policy received its proper emphasis. Air policy if it was to be anything must be Imperial and not parochial, mobile and not local. We could only achieve this result if the various countries of the Empire worked together towards this common objective and it was the acceptance of this view that added an altogether exceptional value to the discussions of the Imperial Conference upon air development.

A THEFT OF TWO YEARS AGO.

SEQUEL AT THE MAGISTRACY.

CULPRIT SENT TO PRISON.

A theft which took place as long ago as 1925 was recalled at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when before Major C. Willson, a Chinese was charged with the theft of a box of ten rolls of silk from the shop at which he was employed as a *Yokai*. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to two months' hard labour.

Sergeant Rozewsky said that at the time of the theft two years ago the complainant, another Chinese, was a truck owner who received commissions to transport goods from ships unloading in Hong Kong. On this particular occasion the complainant received the ten rolls of silk from a ship's comrade to transport to the Ting Woo shop in Lin Pong Street and entrusted the goods to the accused to deliver. The accused disappeared with the silk and was not seen again until Thursday afternoon when complainant recognised him near the Naval Yard and had him arrested.

During the year a number of co-operative flights would take place across the whole length of Africa from Capetown to Cairo. The South African Air Force would take part with our own units from Egypt while the Crown Colonies in East Africa and Sudan would take their share by means of a subsidy which they had offered for a link in the chain between Kisumu and Khartoum. So far, as he knew these would be the first long distance flights carried out on a system of Imperial co-operation. Perhaps out of these small beginnings would gradually emerge a regular air route connecting Egypt and South Africa.

Singapore and Australia.
In addition to these special flights it was proposed to make long distance Empire flights a regular part of the training of the Air Force squadrons. It was also proposed to begin the preparation of landing grounds for the flying route to Singapore and to send for the first time to the Far East a flight of flying boats one of whose duties it would be to co-operate with the Royal Australian Air Force.

The importance of these proposals lay in the fact that they were illustrations of Imperial air policy that would gradually emerge in years to come and whose foundations it would not have been possible to lay without the fruitful discussions that took place at Imperial Conference.

World Wide View.
In conclusion, the Air Minister declared that British air policy was on the one hand to make the Air Force as mobile as possible and on the other hand to direct the aim of civil aviation not to the enclosed spaces and storms and fogs of Europe so much as to the boundless expanses and wide horizons of the British Empire. He saw the prospect of using the Air Force as an instrument of economy, and not as a stimulus to greater expenditure, of making aviation an asset and not liability to the British Empire.

[THURGOOD BUTLER'S AGENCY.]

London, March 10th.
The House of Commons carried, by 225 votes to 112, the Air Estimates.

Mr. Garro-Jones (Liberal) urged disarmament of the air, and mentioned that pilotless aeroplanes had been developed in the United States capable of conveying explosives 35 miles and dropping them. Supposing a Continental Power developed the distance to 100 miles and built 10,000 such machines, what would save our cities?

The Under-Secretary for Air, Sir Philip Sassoon, stressed the vulnerability of London, and said the British attitude towards air disarmament was governed firstly, by the urgent calls of the Empire for the development of aerial transport, and, secondly, the imperative need of adequately protecting the vital centre of the Empire. When the programme was completed we should not have the largest air force in Europe and therefore we could not, in justice to our Dominions and our own safety act alone or take the initiative in air disarmament. Viscount Cecil was making definite proposals at Geneva for disarmament.

GIPSY SWEEP 'WINNERS' DISPUTE.

GANG CLAIMS SHARE DUE TO ONE FAMILY.

As might perhaps be expected the winning of the second prize in the Chinese Club Derby sweep by a family of circus gypsies awaiting deportation has quickly resulted in disputes among the band. The sum involved is \$28,800.

It appears that a second group of gypsies, unrelated to the Floris family who bought the ticket, but belonging to the same band, put in a claim for half the money on the ground that they subscribed towards the purchase of the ticket.

The dispute was brought to the attention of the club and a committee went into the matter.

The result was that the original claim made to the whole prize by the Floris family, which numbers no less than 16 individuals, was upheld, while that of the other gypsies, who are of Russian and Rumanian origin, was disallowed.

The money was duly paid over to the man who presented the ticket and the family are now preparing to leave the Colony in accordance with the police order made against them.

A THREAT OR NOT A THREAT.

CHINESE TERM "BE CAREFUL" THOROUGHLY DISCUSSED IN COURT.

M. Y. SAN'S FACTORY TROUBLE.

Whether the term "Be careful" conveys a threat or not was thoroughly discussed before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Police Court yesterday, in the case in which the M. Y. San Company was prosecuting six of their factory hands. Three of these, it will be remembered, had been acquitted at the previous hearing, on the charge of intimidation and damaging a machine.

Mr. Leo d'Almada appeared for the first defendant, and Mr. Brooks represented the complainant. The foreman of the factory (who was the No. 4 defendant at the previous hearing) giving evidence said that he had charge of the machine which was dismantled. He did not know of the damage until he returned to work after the New Year's holidays. The first defendant had worked under him for over ten years. He had had no particular trouble with the defendant, and he did not instruct the workmen to dismantle the machine.

In answer to the Court, witness said that it would take two or three days to dismantle the machine, and that it must have been done during his absence.

Mr. Lindsell: Who had charge of that particular machine?—The third defendant. The 1st and 4th defendants had nothing to do with it.

Observing that there was no evidence to connect the first defendant with the damage to the machine, his Worship acquitted him of that charge. The third and fourth defendants, who had admitted that they took various parts from the machine were each fined \$50, or four weeks' hard labour.

The Intimidation Charge.
The charge of intimidation was then proceeded with against the first defendant.

Hin Chung Kwong, a workman at the factory, said that he was approached by the first defendant who told him not to return to work. This man further told him to "be careful" if he went back to work and did not join the others in the strike. Considering this as a threat, witness reported to the manager, who told him not to be afraid. He kept his job as he had a family to support.

For the defence, Mr. Leo d'Almada argued that a remark of that character does not necessarily constitute a threat. "Be careful," Mr. d'Almada said, may mean anything, and "for all we know, it might be a fatherly advice. No sensible man could take that as a threat."

Mr. Lindsell: We shall ask the chief interpreter of the Criminal Intelligence Department as to the exact meaning of the term.

When the interpreter was called, Mr. Lindsell explained to him the circumstances under which the remark "Be careful" was made. The interpreter said that in his opinion he was inclined to think that a threat had been made.

In answer to Mr. d'Almada, the interpreter said that "Be careful" could also be used among friends and did not necessarily convey a threat.

"Suppose You Over-eat."
Examples of a friendly usage of this remark was demanded by Mr. Lindsell from the Court interpreter, who said that "supposing you over-eat yourself, I could say to you 'Be careful!'"

Mr. Lindsell: Mr. d'Almada, taking the context, I am of the opinion that a threat had been made.

Mr. d'Almada: No, I don't see how you could. There was no quarrel between the defendant and the witness. They did not part in anger. All the defendant did was to call on the witness and requested him not to return to work, and that if he did, he would have to "be careful." This might have meant anything. It might be that the defendant wanted to report him to the guild, or that it might have been a fatherly warning.

Mr. Lindsell: Yes. I see the charge reads that a threat to do bodily harm was held out, and of course, as defendant and witness were not on bad terms "Be careful" might mean anything. I would therefore discharge the first defendant.

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK.

DIVIDEND OF TWELVE PER CENT.

At the 94th half-yearly ordinary general meeting of the Yokohama Specie Bank held at the Head Office of the Bank at Yokohama on the 10th inst., it was reported that the net profit was Yen 15,142,387.00 including Yen 5,962,168.06 carried over from last account.

It was resolved to pay a dividend of 12 per cent. p.a. (absorbing Yen 6,000,000) for the half year ended December 31st, to add to the Reserve Fund Yen 3,000,000 and to carry forward the sum of Yen 6,142,387.99 to the next account.

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The directors will recommend at the forthcoming yearly meeting of shareholders that this sum be allocated as follows:—
To pay a Dividend of \$1.85 per share on 200,000 shares absorbing \$370,000.00
To carry forward 28,064.70
\$278,064.70

The 31st annual meeting has been fixed for March 28th, at 12 noon, at the company's town office, No. 2, Lower Albert Road.

Transfer books will be closed from March 17th to 26th inclusive.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL.

THE ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The annual prize distribution in connection with St. Mary's School, Kowloon, took place on Thursday. The function was of a private nature, and the Rev. Father H. M. Spada gave away the prizes and certificates. The special prize for integrity and special fitness (voted by the School-Staff) was won by Miss Teresa-Sanches and Lady Clement's 1st prize for cookery went to Miss Dulce d'Almada and the 2nd prize to Miss Olga Ribeiro.

Lugard Scholarship for the years 1927-1928 was won by Miss Bella Pestonji and the Dr. A. S. Gomes Scholarships for Regular Attendance went to the following: Class 1, Marie dos Remedios; Class 2, Carmen da Silva; Class 3, W. Wong and C. Silva; Class 4, Irene Col-laco; Class 5, Marques and Sarah Abdulla; Class 6, M. Chan and C. Gomes; Class 7, Violet Wong; Class 8, Maria Wong.



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MANAGER'S FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY.

Mr. F. Norie-Miller, general manager and director of the General Accident, Fire and Life Assurance Corporation, celebrated last month the fortieth anniversary of his connection with the Company.

When Mr. Norie-Miller first took command of its affairs the Corporation transacted only accident, employers' liability, fidelity and vehicle business. His first duty was to cancel a great deal of the business on the books because of its hazardous character, and rebuild on new lines. This order was brilliantly accomplished, comments a Home Insurance paper, and the Corporation's connections were so extended that now it is represented largely in the foreign field, especially in the United States, where it is held in high repute. To the original purely accident department have been added fire, life and marine branches. In 1926 the accident premium income amounted to \$2,713, and other expenditure to \$5,701, an underwriting exhibit which in these days of the Corporation's prosperity seems astounding. Anyway, from such a foundation has been built one of the leading

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WARRANT OFFICER'S SHIRT STOLEN?

CHINESE CARPENTER REMANDED.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday, a Chinese carpenter was remanded on a charge of stealing a white flannel shirt, the property of Commissioned Warrant Officer Johnson, of H.M.S. *Hollyhock*, which is in dock at the Naval Yard.

A. B. Duncan Williams stated that the defendant was seen to take the shirt from a drawer in Mr. Johnson's cabin, returning it hastily as he became aware that he was being watched.

After Mr. Holford, a charge-man of shipwrights in the Naval Yard, had given evidence that the defendant had no business to be in the cabin, the defendant was remanded, as stated.

British offices, whose premium receipts in 1925 were:—

Miscellaneous accident	24,995,150
Fire	512,858
Personal accident	498,627
Life	363,960
Employers' liability	204,583
Marine	28,610

A premium income of more than £4,500,000 and assets as security for policyholders of £10,000,000 sterling may surely be ascribed an achievement.

Messrs. James H. Backhouse, Ltd., are the agents for the Corporation in Hong Kong.

WHAT ENGINEERS HAVE DONE AND CAN DO FOR CHINA.

FORECAST OF THE FUTURE OF THE CRAFT.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH AT ENGINEERS' AND SHIPBUILDERS' DINNER.

RAILWAYS, ROADS, AIR CRAFT AND SHIPS.

There were about 100 members and guests present last night at the 2nd annual dinner of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hong Kong, the function being held in the Institute Rooms.

H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) who is Honorary President of the Institution, was present and delivered an extremely interesting speech in which he reviewed what engineers had done for China and had it in their power to do in the future.

His Excellency prophesied that great progress would be made in the future in railway transportation, and hinted that the time would come when one would be able to buy a through ticket from Kowloon to Calais. He also referred to the future of engineering in China with regard to motor-road construction, the development of air routes, sanitary engineering and town planning.

The dinner was held in the large assembly hall of the Institute, which presented a very cheerful and friendly appearance, the walls having been draped with national flags, and the lights encased in golden coloured paper lanterns.

The tables were also very tastefully laid out and an excellent repast was served by Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., who were responsible for the catering, Mr. W. J. Hill being in charge.

Those Present.

Mr. J. Ormiston (President) was in the chair, and among others present were H.E. the Governor (Honorary President), Capt. C. H. Steele (A.D.C.), Mr. A. Whyte, Mr. L. J. Blackburn (Vice-President and Chairman of Committee), Messrs. R. M. Dyer, K. E. Greig, and S. Baker (Past Presidents), Mr. R. Hunter (Vice-Chairman), Mr. A. Landbert (Hon. Secretary), Mr. W. J. Stokes, Mr. J. M. Jack, Mr. W. J. Hill, Mr. J. S. Gillingham, and Mr. W. S. Bailey.

Among the guests present were: Rear-Admiral W. H. D. Boyle, C.B., R.N., Commodore J. L. Pearson, C.M.G., R.N., Engineer-Capt. W. H. Mitchell, R.N., Engineer-Commander G. R. N., the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern (Colonial Secretary, and Hon. Vice-President of the Institute), the Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy (Director of Public Works, and Hon. Vice-President of the Institute), the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., Lt.-Col. S. Boylan Smith, Mr. D. Templeton, Mr. G. H. Young and Mr. Cameron Macgregor.

THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.

The loyal toast was submitted by the President, and duly honoured. The President (Mr. J. Ormiston) also submitted the toast of "The Honorary President (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.)."

In doing so he said: It is a great honour to welcome your Excellency and such a representative gathering to this, the first Annual Dinner to be held in our own premises.

Your Excellency was kind enough to say at the Opening of these rooms that it was a fine act of faith and laudable spirit of optimism on our part to embark upon the extension of our premises after 12 months of boycott and trade depression.

We naturally did not expect to make ends meet during the first year, but I am pleased to inform you that after payment of all non-recurrent cost of the change, our estimated loss has not been exceeded, notwithstanding the fact that conditions are still far from normal.

Heavy Handicaps.

Our sea-going membership has been seriously affected, so much so that many have left the Colony, while others are absent owing to their ships being diverted to other trades where commerce is not beset by so many difficulties, and now, after omitting Hong Kong for more than a year, the China Merchants Steam Navigation Co.'s vessels have ceased to operate.

The effect on our Membership is that out of a total of 606, we have 250 on the Absent List who are, thus, non-contributory, as also are members who, though in the Colony, are unemployed. I should explain that unemployed members retain their full privileges free of charge during the period of their unemployment.

In spite of these heavy handicaps we have maintained our charitable contributions at their customary figures and we shall indeed be poor before we allow this duty to lapse from its position of first importance in our eyes. As Pope said: "In Faith and Hope the World will disagree, but all mankind's concern is Charity."

We believe and sincerely hope our income will balance our expenditure this year, but that is not enough, in these fine premises we have a store of potential energy in the fact that we can accommodate, and cater for, twice our present Membership. It only requires this latent force to be translated into the

kinetic energy of a growing Membership to bring about an accelerated velocity in our progress, and in this one of the leading Shipping Ports in the World and such an important outpost of Empire it should not be difficult of accomplishment.

The foregoing remarks, which are plainly propaganda, are to point out to the large number of gentlemen in this Colony connected with Engineering, Shipbuilding and Shipping that this Institution has, since its incorporation in 1891 (36 years ago), been the acknowledged centre of these professions, and a perusal of our Presidents Board will bear me out in saying that some of the most eminent men of the engineering and shipbuilding profession have during their stay in the Colony, been our honoured President.

A reference to our Membership Register will reveal the striking fact that in the past almost every one connected with these industries has during his sojourn here been enrolled, but the Colony has expanded to such an extent that this cannot now be stated. Need I say more, except that those gentlemen who join our ranks will, at one and the same time, honour us and themselves and enable us to still better live up to Clause A. in our "Memorandum of Association," viz., to improve the scientific knowledge of Members of the Company, to further Engineering and Shipbuilding Science, to encourage social intercourse amongst the members.

Literary and Social Side.

At the Opening Ceremony promises were made that the Literary and Technical side of our activities would receive closer attention. I submit that this promise has been in no small degree fulfilled.

Four papers have already been read and two further Papers are in course of preparation, one by Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, General Manager of the Hong Kong Tramways, Ltd., dealing with "The Economics of Electrification." This paper will, I understand, be illustrated by a cinema film. The other by Mr. Hevey of the Hong Kong Gas Co., on the subject of "Gas Distribution."

As Convenor of the Literary Council charged with arranging the programme of these lectures, it has been a very pleasant duty, for I have found that we have quite a goodly number of gentlemen in our midst willing to sacrifice their hours of leisure in preparing papers giving those personal experiences and daily trials which the next books fall to supply. This I feel is an augury for the future which will, I hope, encourage my successors to carry on the good work.

The social side of our affairs has not been neglected, we endeavour to make the lady friends of our members comfortable in our Ladies Room by the provision of as many of the amenities as our poor male brains can devise, and we have initiated a scheme of evening dances in these rooms, the success of which has been very encouraging.

From the point of view of having a suitable Lecture Hall and providing more comfort for Members, I believe it will be agreed that the Extension of our Premises last year has been fully justified.

It is very desirable that the younger members should take more interest in the management of the Institution, it is somewhat disappointing that more replies are not received to our circular requesting names of members who are willing to stand for election on the General Committee. The majority of the Committee of Management are "old hands" and I can assure you would welcome the assistance of the younger set.

From you, Sir, we expect criticism which we know will be kind, advice which we know will be thoughtful, and encouragement which we are sure will be sincere.

In conclusion permit me on behalf of the Members (both present absent and prospective) to say how grateful we are for the interest you have taken in our work and for your kindly courtesy in honouring us by your presence to-night. (Loud applause.)

Gentlemen, I give you the toast "Our Hon. President."

HIS EXCELLENCY'S REPLY.

Replying to the toast, the Honorary President (H.E. the Governor) said: I thank you for the words in which you have proposed the toast of my health and, gentlemen, I thank you all for the way in which you have received the toast. It is, I feel, a great privilege to be Honorary President of an Institution the members of which have in a very literal sense built up this Colony, and it is a great pleasure to me to attend the first annual dinner given by you in your own premises, where we can feel thoroughly at home.

Engineering's Future in China.

On the occasion of your annual dinner last year I spoke of what engineers had done for Hong Kong. To-night I should like to indicate very briefly what engineers have done, and have it in their power to do, for China. First of all consider lines of communication. The vast foreign trade of China results from the work of engineers. The total value of that trade to China as shown in the statistics of the Chinese Maritime Customs for 1924 was 1,700 million taels. Almost all this trade is borne in ships, designed, built, worked, docked and kept in repair by engineers. Steam navigation of China's inland water ways is another achievement of engineers, and especially on the upper Yangtze the pioneers surmounted not only difficulties but serious dangers. Railway engineering in China dates from 1876 and is therefore a year younger than I am. It has made great progress; but its future is bound to be greater still; and the day is sure to come when residents in this Colony will take through railway tickets from Kowloon to Calais, and return tickets at that. Road construction in the European sense of the word has scarcely begun; but now that engineers have invented and are steadily perfecting motor-cars, and seeing what a hold motor transport already has upon the Chinese mind, the pressure of Chinese public opinion is likely to be long to compel provincial authorities to build motor-roads. When this movement begins, an immense stimulus will be given to the motor industry and rubber and petrol will be even more in demand. Indeed I venture to prophesy that, when China is really opened up for motor traffic, a new design of motor car will become imperative, for the world's supply of petrol will not suffice and cars will have to be propelled by some other motor-spirit. Air transport in China, save for purposes of civil war, hardly yet exists; but it is bound to come and we are already at work on an aerodrome for this Colony. The idea of travelling from Hong Kong to Canton in an hour is sure to make a strong appeal to business men and once air ways are established the flight from Hong Kong to the majority of the great cities of China will only be a matter of one, or at most two, days' journey.

Another enormous field for beneficial activity in China, scarcely touched at present, is sanitary engineering, in which I would include water works, sewage works, anti-malarial work, slum improvement, town planning and the like. Then again electric lighting is much desired by Chinese of all classes and, so far as I know, hydro-electric engineering has not yet made a start anywhere in China. There are also telegraphy, telephony, wireless broadcasting and other electrical inventions of which the exploitation in China has only just begun, but the demand for which is likely to be prodigious.

Demand for Engineers.

It would be easy to continue for a long time in this strain, but I have said enough to show what an immense demand there is certain to be in China for engineers as soon as War Lords turn their attention from military to civil engineering. We in Hong Kong can do much to supply this demand by training Chinese students in British engineering standards and ideals at the Hong Kong University. The generosity of the great firm of Butterfield & Swire has endowed the Taiako Chair of Engineering at that University; but it is for all British engineers and all British engineering firms in this Colony and above all it is for the Hong Kong Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders to collaborate in making the Engineering Faculty of the Hong Kong University the signal success which it ought to be. I earnestly invite you each and all to take a real interest in that Faculty. I do this not only as Chancellor of the University, but even more as Governor of Hong Kong, because I feel that there is a unique opportunity before this Colony of becoming intimately associated with future engineering developments all over China through the medium of young Chinese engineers, who will have been trained in Hong Kong and then go into all the Eighteen Provinces of China taking with them an affection for their *alma mater* and a real comprehension of the thoroughness and the high ideals of British engineering as well as of the genuine friendship for our Chinese neighbours with which we in this Colony are animated.

Gentlemen, I wish your Institution all success and an ever increasing membership as the years go by.

100% VALUE FOR MONEY MOUTRIE PIANOS.

I trust that every engineer stationed in Hong Kong will, as a matter of course, join up and do what he can to promote the welfare of this Institution. And I hope that your sphere of activities may steadily expand to the benefit not only of this Colony but of China as well. (Loud applause.)

THE VISITORS.

Proposing the toast of "The Visitors," Mr. L. J. BLACKBURN said:

It has fallen to my lot to have the honour of proposing the toast of our visitors and I can assure you that it is very encouraging to the Institute to have so many distinguished guests this evening. Encouraging in the fact that busy people, such as Your Excellency, Admiral Boyle, our two Honorary Vice-Presidents, the Hon. Mr. Southern and the Hon. Mr. Cressy, with others too many to enumerate, have found time to honour us with their presence. It shows that the Institute is serving a useful purpose in the Colony. We regret that H.E. the Officer Commanding the Troops was unable to accept our invitation. However, we have a worthy representative of the auxiliary forces present in the person of our esteemed Commandant of the Volunteers, Lt.-Col. H. W. Bird.

His Excellency failed to remember one branch of engineering and that is "gas engineering" (laughter). It may be that we are rather shy at advertising ourselves, but we are still very lively despite all that was said when electricity came in.

Our President, in his speech, has touched on various matters connected with this Institution; in fact, he has robbed me of many points I had planned to speak upon, but I would like to say that the lectures which have been given, while technical, have not been too much so as to make them uninteresting to the layman. Our thanks are due not only to the gentlemen who have prepared the papers but also to Mr. Ormiston for arranging them. The object of these lectures is to uphold the name we carry—the Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders—by assisting in the attainment of general knowledge on engineering subjects (this world is becoming more mechanical every day)—and, at the same time, popularising the Institute.

As stated by our President, we could do with many more members, and in this connection I would state that membership is not limited to those solely interested in engineering and allied trades. We have a large and valued number of associate members and the committee could welcome a large influx of both ordinary and associate members.

ADMIRATION FOR MARINE ENGINEERS.

Replying, the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird said that during many voyages to and from the old country during a period of thirty-five years he had learned to admire and respect the marine engineer. As an architect he had a natural feeling for the shipbuilder. For if he (the shipbuilder) forgot to put a plug in a hole he got into as much trouble as if he (the architect) forgot to leave a hole for the smoke to come out.

The speaker concluded by referring to the need for fostering a deeper interest in engineering. (Applause.)

Rear-Admiral Boyle said that they owed a debt to the shipbuilders and engineers, who provided them with homes to live in and means to travel around the world. He recalled how in 1905 he was rushed to China to save the situation. When he looked back on those days and on that weary voyage he realised very deeply what a debt they owed to the shipbuilders and engineers. On his last trip to China they took 12 days to get to Singapore and they arrived at Hong Kong 16 days from leaving Malta.

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PROPERTY SALE.

BRISK BIDDING FOR HOUSE IN WING LOK STREET.

There was a good attendance, and some very brisk bidding at the China Auction Rooms yesterday afternoon, when Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa, by order of the mortgagees, sold a leasehold property at No. 152, Wing Lok Street.

The property is held for the unexpired residue of a term of 999 years from June 25th, 1871.

The annual Crown rent is \$18.70, and the area 1,087 square feet.

The upset price was \$40,000, with bids of \$600 acceptable. Bidding progressed by these stages until the sum of \$40,500 was reached, at which figure Mr. P. K. Kwok, on behalf of Mr. Wong Wai Pak, became the purchaser.

A HUMOROUS INTERLUDE.

Mr. J. S. GILLINGHAM, who created a good deal of amusement, said it was only fair to point out that the knowledge of the Institute's activities had not been confined to Hong Kong. There were a number of men in various parts of the world, who were unable to be present but had sent messages.

Mr. Gillingham then read out the following telegrams:—

From Square Boot of 49, London.

"Should very much like to meet old Hongkong friends again but too busily engaged in domestic duties. If three small seven make 21, would four make me president of the Mother's Union. Will be with you in spirit, as I can still carry ballast around the midship side."

From Cookavitch, Moscow.

"Thanks. I like engineers, but am more appreciated as gas producer here. Am being taught to organise results better next time. Our new slogan 'Gas without coal and Bolshies without bath.'"

From Harry Lander, Aberdeen.

"Regret too busy counting my War Savings certificates. When last in Hong Kong I lost a ten-cent piece at Fanning. When found please open deposit account Hong Kong Shanghai Bank."

From Charlie Chaplin, Los Angeles.

"Much regret legal affairs occupying all my time. Though my wife now producing a 'Gold Rush' for the lawyers, she was previously quite happy to assist in the production of 'The Kid.'"

From the Kowloon Pay-to-Rates Association.

"Sorry, but already engaged on lay out of Muddats-on-Sea. Pleased to hear other opponents of Kowloon Tong Squatters' Association will be present. Hope completion of brighter Kowloon."

From Frontable Enterprises, Ltd., Bias Bay.

"Regret inability to be present. Last visit to Hong Kong not appreciated by our members. Several not returned yet. Nevertheless, extend hearty welcome to Shok O sheiks and launch parties who go fishing for other poor fishes down to."

From Wuchow (Delay Owing to Strike of Penell Sharpensers) by George Brown.

"Thanks for invitation but (keep it dark) my wife has been pinched, so am having a night out. Understand all married members of the Soviet are applying for my job."

From the Representative of Hot Air Distributors.

"Thank you but am being too well entertained by numerous guilds who don't know me as well as you do. Our distributors now in great demand. Would Hong Kong Press care to accept Eastern agency of the H.A.D.?"

MUSICAL PROGRAMME.

During the evening an excellent programme of songs was contributed by Messrs. "A. E. Stone, T. G. Paterson, R. M. Keown and L. E. Hopkins. Messrs. G. Grimble and H. A. Jones accompanied at the piano.

CANTON SHOPKEEPERS ORGANISING.**ATTEMPT TO COMBAT WORKERS.****SPLIT IN KUOMINTANG POSSIBLE.****FEAR OF WATER SHORTAGE.**

(FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.)

The attempt of the small shopkeepers or retail merchants in Canton to organize themselves in order that they may become equal with the workers as comrades in the Kuomintang is now attracting wide attention in Kwangtung, the home of the Kuomintang. The workers have been singling out the merchants for attack and persecution; but now that the merchants are going into the Kuomintang they also may take the law into their own hands. The small merchants are organizing themselves into groups of 20 each. From each group a delegate will be chosen, and from every five delegates a general delegate will be selected to form a general delegates' conference.

It is reported in Canton that Mr. Chan Fu Mub, Kuomintang Commissioner of Labour and Agriculture, will resign, on account of his failure to defend the interests of the workers according to the workers' desire. The workers insist that they may blockade a store or factory on the declaration of a strike, and in this Commissioner Chan has been supporting them. Now the Kuomintang Executive Committee after hesitating for nearly two years, has ruled that a worker may strike but that the striker has no right to interfere with the business of his employer or his associates. The Canton Police have been advised to offer protection to merchants whose business is being interfered with.

The rice merchants in Canton have decided to employ non-union men as stevedores until the dispute among the rival unions is settled. They have informed the Police and have asked for protection for the independent workers. During the last two years in Canton, a dispute between two or more unions has meant practically the suspension of the business concerned for others were not allowed to do the work in their place.

The insistent demand of followers of Mr. Wang Ching Wei that he should be recalled to office in Canton is causing a great deal of embarrassment to those Kuomintang leaders who are advocating a policy of moderation. It is understood that General Tang Seng Chi and other former Northern generals, who have allied themselves with the Kuomintang, are now sorry for what they have done, and that further pressure from Mr. Borodin and other Bolshevik leaders will most likely bring about a split in the Kuomintang ranks. The Central Executive Committee will meet after March 15th at Hankow.

Shareholders of the Canton Water Supply Company, whose property has been taken over by the Kuomintang, will not be allowed to hold any more meetings to contest the action of the party, according to the latest order of the local authorities. Now the people are afraid that the employees of the Company, who are siding with the shareholders, may declare a strike against public ownership and thus cause a water shortage in the city.

To-day being the second anniversary of the death of late Dr. Sun Yat Sen, all public offices and schools in Canton will close. The students and workers will hold a parade, following a meeting in the grounds of the Sun Yat Sen University.

The Kuomintang Executive Committee in Canton still suspect the presence of Fascists at Shantou and have instructed the Canton Police to make investigations. An extract from their instructions is as follows:

"According to local Press reports, representatives of the Fascists of Italy have arrived on Shantou. The Fascists are engaged in international plots and intrigue, and it may be recalled that the Canton Merchants' Volunteers' opposition to the Kuomintang as led by Chan Lim Pak (some two years ago) had been inspired by the

(Continued on next column.)

TO-DAY'S ANNIVERSARY.**THE DEATH OF DR. SUN YAT SEN.****LARGE GATHERING EXPECTED AT LEE GARDENS.**

The meeting of Chinese seamen and others to be held to-day, out of respect to the second anniversary of the death of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, will take place at Lee Gardens instead of at the Taiping Theatre as first suggested. It is expected that there will be a large attendance. The arrangements for the gathering have been made by the "All Classes Sun Yat Sen Memorial Society."

Some students in Hong Kong asked for a day's holiday in connection with the anniversary but the authorities did not agree. It is understood that most of the Chinese newspapers will suspend publication for a day.

The meeting will begin at the ringing of a bell. A group of representatives of Chinese organizations will be on the platform as a presiding committee, but there is no intention to appoint any particular person as chairman. An announcer of the different items on the programme will be in attendance. A band will also be present.

Following three bows to the Kuomintang flag and to the picture of the late Dr. Sun, a short period of silence will be observed in memory of the dead. All will stand whilst the last will and testament of the late Kuomintang Chief is read. An address will then be given on the life of Dr. Sun Yat Sen. Memorial songs will be sung between the speeches of which there will be many.

MR. CHEN AND MR. COOK.**"THE BALMY AIR OF FAR CATHAY."**

"Last year we had Mr. Cook; this year we have Mr. Chen," said Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, when entertained at luncheon in Manchester. "The one," he continued, "rose amid the murky coal pits of Britain; the other was nurtured in the balmy air of far Cathay. When I say 'balmy air,' I am not sure that the balmy element may not have found its representation in both cases. (Loud laughter.) Both gentlemen seem to have been studying at the same school. Both seem to draw their inspirations from the same fount. They preach the same doctrine, they use the same language, and they seem to be pursuing the same objects." He did not believe there was any ground for grave anxiety in regard to China. Nothing was further from our intentions than to be drawn into an adventurous, aggressive, ambitious or Byzantine policy in China. We regarded the 400,000,000 of Chinese as potential friends and customers. Almost the last thing which one wished to do with a potential customer was to shoot him. (Laughter.) But when it came to mob violence, to the lives and property of British subjects being menaced, we were bound to take reasonable measures for protection and defence.

BOTTOM OF THE POLL.

Mr. Reginald Francis Orlando Bridgeman, a former member of the British Diplomatic Service, who is acting as the unofficial propagandist in London for the Cantonese Government received a setback in his home village of Pinner on February 5th. He aspired to become a member of the Hendon Rural District Council, but in a triangular contest was at the bottom of the poll.

Fascists. The presence of the Fascists at Canton at this time must carry with it malicious intention and evil design.

According to the *Chung Hwa Sha News Agency*, the extremist section of the Kuomintang have cabled to the Third International the following objects for which they demand support:—1. The abolition of all unequal treaties; 2. The withdrawal of foreign troops from China; 3. The improvement of labour conditions in South Sea Islands; 4. The abolition of the head or capital tax (on Chinese emigrants); 5. The abolition of all exclusion laws against the Chinese by foreign governments; 6. The abolition of all discriminating laws against the Chinese; 7. The laws (of the European countries) protecting labour to be applicable to their colonies.

TRADE MARK INFRINGEMENT.**GERMAN FILE WITH AMERICAN MARK.****WITNESS WITH TWO WEEKS' EXPERIENCE.****JOHN D. HUTCHISON & CO. WIN THEIR SUIT.**

The case in which Messrs. John Hutchison & Co. summonsed two Chinese Companies for infringing the trade mark of a certain brand of file, for which the complainants have been the agents for over 25 years, was concluded yesterday before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy.

The two defendants, Messrs. Himlee & Co. and Chung Shing Co. were represented by Mr. H. J. Armstrong, and Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones appeared for the complainants.

The complainants are agents for the Nicholson File Company of America whose trade mark is "two crossed files" surmounted by the word "Nicholson." The defendants are hard-wares dealers. In addition to the original Nicholson files sold at their shops, they had a stock of German files, whose trade mark appears to be an imitation of the "two crossed files" of the Nicholson Company.

At yesterday's hearing, a broker employed by the complainants, said that the German trade mark bore very close resemblance to that of the Nicholson file. The difference in price was about twenty-five cents on each file, the Nicholson file being sold at \$1.50.

The Defence.

Mr. Armstrong in his defence said that, as the action was instituted under the Merchandise Mark Ordinance, the onus of proving the alleged infringement rested on the defendants. "Complainants had given no evidence to show that the defendants knew of the infringement. The second and more important point was that the prosecution did not say whether the defendants had been asked where they had obtained the German files from." The files were actually imported by Bornemann & Co. and bore the "Globe" chop of 1925. Since then his clients had received several more consignments and it was not until October, 1926, that the manufacturers in Germany, adding two "crossed files" to the original "Globe" although the mark was slightly changed, the files were still being sold as the "Globe file."

A Fortnight's Experience.

Kwan Suk, accountant of the Himlee Co., said that Nicholson files were sold in his store, the Chinese called them "scissors" or "crossed" files. They also stocked the "Globe" files and buyers were supplied according to request. Cross-examined by Mr. Hugh Jones, defendant said he had had only a fortnight's experience in dealing with the files. Formerly he dealt in cakes in Canton.

Li Mei, manager of Chung Shing Co., said that he stocked many kinds of files—French, German, British and American. The American files were known as "crossed files" or "scissors files." He had been selling German files for many years. The "crossed files" were recently added to the marks in the Globe files but he did not know of this change, until his attention was drawn to it by a buyer.

Deceived Himself.

Replying to Mr. Hugh Jones, defendant said he had been in the hardware trade for over seven years.

Mr. Hugh Jones: Didn't you know then that the mark had no business to be there?—I thought it was only to show the quality.

Mr. Hugh Jones: Exactly. You would be doing a good trade had all your German files been sold at the price of the Nicholson files!—No, people would not be deceived. The two marks are entirely different.

Addressing the Court, Mr. Hugh Jones submitted that it was clear that the infringement had been committed. The Himlee Co. realizing this, had the offer to send a man to give evidence who had only been in the business for two weeks.

A Light Fine.

Continuing, Mr. Hugh Jones said that he had been instructed by the complainants not to press for a heavy penalty. The case was taken as an exemplary measure.

His Worship fined each of the defendants \$50 and ordered all the infringing files to be confiscated.

FUNERAL.**THE LATE MR. W. KNIGHT.****IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY AT THE GRAVESIDE.**

The funeral of the late Mr. William Knight, of the Revenue Department, took place yesterday evening at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley. The Rev. G. T. Waldegrave officiated at the graveside.

The coffin, which was on a gun carriage and covered by a Union Jack, passed the Monument at about 3.30, preceded by a detachment from the King's Own Scottish Borderers, and the Bagpipe Band. Following the carriage were Mr. P. E. Knight, deceased's brother, a Squad from the Police Force, the Chinese Revenue searchers, European Revenue officers, and a large number of friends.

At the graveside were the widow and deceased's sister-in-law.

Three volleys were fired and the last post was sounded by a squad from the K.O.S.B.

The chief mourners were deceased's wife, brother, and sister-in-law.

The pall bearers were:—Messrs. Grimmit, Lanigan, Ward, O'Neill, Warden and Powell.

Among those present were: Mr. Taylor, Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Chief Preventive Officer Clarke, Senior Officer Ward, Mr. Watt, Mr. Pierce, Mr. Fender, Mr. Young, Mr. Glendening, Mr. Frith and many others. Floral tributes were sent by the following:—

"His Loving Mother," "Pa Ma and Miss," "Loving Brother Phil," "Loving Brother and Sister-in-Law Geo. and Margaret," "Sister and Brother-in-Law Eva and Gus also Peter and Peggy," "Kathleen and Papa Glendening."

Esma Club; Brother Officers; Revenue Staff, Kowloon; Sergeants' Mess, No. 7 Station; Clerical Staff; Imports and Exports Dept.; Officers' Mess, Lai Chi Kok; Hurlingham Sergeants' Mess; United Service Lodge No. 1347 E.C.; Sergeants' Mess, Central Police Station; Craggengow Cricket Club; Police Recreation Club; Chinese Revenue Officers; Sergeants' Mess, No. 2 Police Station; Yau Ma Tei Police Mess; Royal Naval Yard; Police Sanitary Inspectors, Eastern District; Prison Staff; King Edward Hotel; Civil Service Club.

Inspector and Mrs. McWalker, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. D. Alves, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. R. McFall, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Abbas, Mr. and Mrs. P. Lanigan, Mr. and Mrs. B. Thorpe, Sub-Inspector and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Frith, Inspector and Mrs. A. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. W. Glendening, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dyer, Inspector and Mrs. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Strang, Mr. and Mrs. Dick, Sergeant and Mrs. Kirby, Mr. and Mrs. Gerrard, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. J. Bolt, Mr. and Mrs. J. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. J. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Grimmit, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hollands, Inspector and Mrs. E. J. Eris, Mr. and Mrs. Old, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Clarke.

Sub-Inspector Brown and Sgt. Joey, Mr. Kelley, Inspector W. Hill, Mr. R. Fowler, Mr. H. H. Rose, Messrs. McEwen, Clark and Brittain, Mr. Lin Shou Ping, Sgt. L. K. George, Mr. W. Mackay, Mr. C. J. Thompson, Mr. Wong Yuet, Sgt. Grieg, Mr. C. Greenwood, Mr. Wm. Meadows, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Wm. Curry, Sgt. Beysting, Mr. C. Hatt, Chief Det. Inspector T. Murphy, Mr. A. K. Taylor, "Feely and Dyerson," Mr. W. Ward, Mr. P. Condon, Mr. Charman, Sgt. Collins and Oram, Sub-Inspectors P. Grant and S. Logan, Mrs. Stonham, Mr. M. Coysh, Mr. George, Mr. P. Gillespie, Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, Mr. C. E. Ernschaw, Messrs. W. Winyard and W. S. Caff, Mr. J. A. A. Currie.

LOCAL RESIDENT'S BEREAVEMENT.**BROTHER KILLED BY FALLING TREE.**

Much sympathy will be extended to Mrs. J. H. Hunt, of the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, in the loss she has sustained by the death of her brother, Mr. Alan Fairley, A.M.I.E.E., which occurred in distressing circumstances in the Isle of Man.

Mr. Fairley, who was 27 years of age, was motoring through a district where trees were being felled. Suddenly one of the trees fell across the road just as Mr. Fairley's car was passing. He sustained terrible injuries and died shortly afterwards. At the inquest, a verdict of manslaughter was returned against the foreman of the felling party.

Mr. Fairley was an engineer employed by the Isle of Man Harbour Commissioners.

SUMMARY COURT.**A QUESTION OF "SPLIT CASES."****CASE ADJOURNED.**

At the Summary Court yesterday, before Mr. J. H. B. Nihill, acting Puisne Judge, Mr. D. L. Strellet suggested that five claims represented in five different writs between the same parties, totalling over \$3,000, really represented one claim, but they had been split up into smaller claims in order to bring them within the jurisdiction of the Court, which has a limit of \$1,000.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ represented the plaintiff, and Mr. Strellet was for the defendant.

Mr. Strellet said he would ask for the dismissal of the five cases forthwith, as five actions of that kind ought never to have been brought to Court. They were all the same cause of action on the same day. The total amounted to over \$3,000, and the Ordinance provided that where cases had similar causes of action as to the amount due on the date of the issuing of the writs for the amount stated or otherwise, the claim should not be split up into various claims of smaller amounts in order to bring it within the jurisdiction of the Court.

Mr. Russ replied that the cases referred to five different promissory notes and five different transactions.

Evidence should be called before settling the point in order to arrive at the facts. A mere wave of the hand was not sufficient for dismissing cases of that kind. "Split" cases were constantly before the Court.

Mr. Strellet said he did not wish to ask his Lordship for a decision then, but it was the practice of the Court to raise any such point immediately.

His Lordship suggested that to avoid waste of time the matter should be mentioned in chambers to-morrow, but Mr. Russ replied that they would not be able to argue the point until evidence had been called.

His Lordship decided to adjourn the case for a week.

THE SHANGHAI DEFENCE FORCE.**CAMERONIANS GO TO CAMP.**

The 1,500 or more troops already under canvas in the vicinity of Fanling were further increased yesterday morning, when the 1st Battalion, the Camerons (Scottish Rifles) left for Sun Wei by train.

The transport, s.s. *Delphophon*, is due to arrive on Monday. She is carrying two pack batteries of the Royal Artillery, with equipment, another Armoured Car Section, with eight armoured cars, and other detachments for small units in the Colony. The *Delphophon* also carries a large cargo of provisions for the troops.

H.M.S. "DAUNTLESS" HERE.

H.M.S. *Dauntless*, a cruiser of 4,650 tons forming part of the First Cruiser Squadron, now stationed in Hong Kong, arrived from Home on Thursday. She is of similar type to H.M.S. *Delhi* and H.M.S. *Danac*, carrying six 6-inch guns, three 4-inch anti-aircraft guns, and four three pounders.

In command of the cruiser are Capt. S. D. Tiliard, and Commander G. R. C. Watkins, D.S.O.

LOCAL ROBBERS BUSY. BUDDHIST TEMPLE RANSACKED.

Money, clothing and jewellery to the value of \$97 have been stolen from No. 17, Wyndham Street, and to the value of \$1,103 from the second floor of No. 23, Wellington Street.

It was also reported to the police that thieves entered No. 8, Chee Wo Street, and removed over \$200 worth of property.

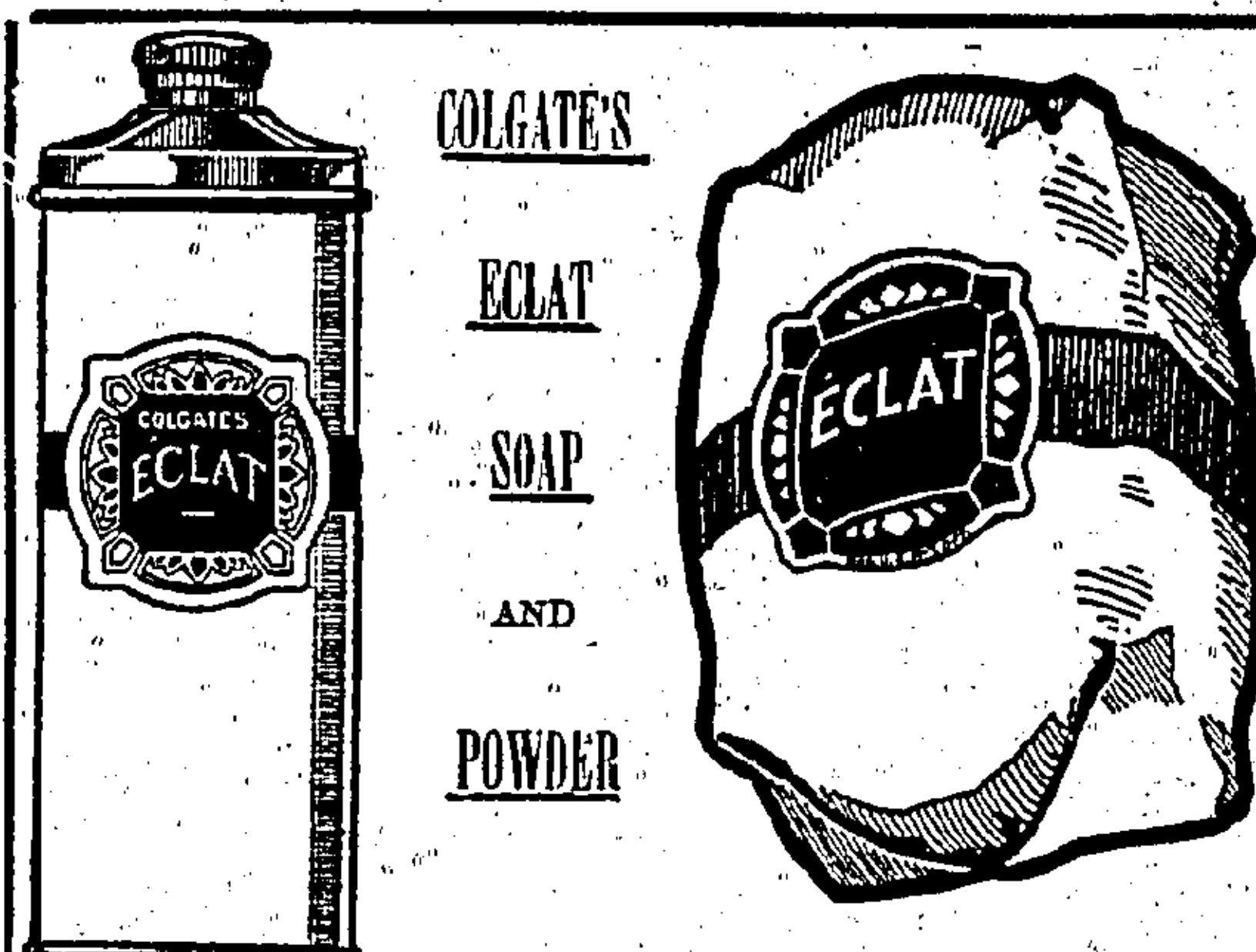
Armed robbers entered a Buddhist temple at In Kong district on Tuesday. They terrified the Abbess in charge of the shrine, and eventually escaped with a very poor haul, amounting in value to only \$27. The police stations on the mainland have been notified.

TWO DANCES LAST NIGHT.

Two very successful dances were held last night. At the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club there was a very large gathering and the proceeds were in aid of a fund to provide recreation for the troops of the Shanghai Defence Force during their stay here, and especially in the summer.

There was an enjoyable programme of dances lasting from 8 to 1 a.m. and everyone had a very good time.

At the Royal Engineers' Theatre, Wellington Barracks, the Chief and Petty Officers of H.M.S. *Titanic* also gave a successful dance, which was well attended.

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Alexandra Buildings,
Hong Kong, March 9th, 1927. [4673]

SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE, HONGKONG.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SOCIETY will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, 18th MARCH, 1927, at 5.30 p.m. For the following Purposes:—

- To receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for the Past Year.
- To elect the Officers and Committee for the ensuing year.
- To consider the manner in which St. George's Day shall be celebrated.
- To transact any other business of which due notice has been given.

All members are requested to attend.
R. E. GREENSMITH,
Hon. Secretary
Hong Kong, 10th March, 1927. [4671]

HONGKONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the HONGKONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held in the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., at 22nd MARCH, 1927, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended on the 31st DECEMBER, 1926, and of electing Directors and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 23rd MARCH, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
M. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 8th March, 1927. [4653]

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, No. 6, Des Voeux Road, CENTRAL, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd MARCH, 1927, at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th MARCH, 1927, to the 22nd MARCH, 1927 (Both Days inclusive), during which period No Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board,
LOOK POON SEAN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927. [4646]

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, on SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 26th MARCH, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. D. THOMSON,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 11th March, 1927. [4672]

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersigned on MONDAY, the 28th MARCH, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended the 31st DECEMBER, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 28th MARCH, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers,
Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.,
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927. [4638]

INTIMATIONS.

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H. C. SERRUSOLE,
Manager for Hong Kong & South China.
Hong Kong, March 7th, 1927. [4637]

FAN LING HUNT SPRING PAPER HUNT.

FOR A CUP Presented, the above will be held on SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, at 11 A.M. Post Entries open to all (whether Subscribers or not.) Start at Lok Ma Chau Cross Roads. Motor Bus will Leave HUNTERS ARMS at 10.45 Returning there after the Hunt.

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H. J. CHEATEE,
Surgeon Captain, R. N.
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Hong Kong, 10th March, 1927. [4634]

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BIRTHS.

BRIDGES.—On March 5th, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. F. S. BRIDGES, a son.

PALMER.—On March 3rd, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. PALMER, a son.

WALLER.—On March 4th, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. ARTHUR J. WALLER, a son.

MARRIAGE.

LAYNE—HAYWARD.—On February 7th, at Bombay Cathedral, Capt. THOMAS MALCOLM LAYNE, M.B.E., M.C. I.A., second son of the late Dr. HENRY LAYNE, of Swatow, to MABEL KATHLEEN HAYWARD, of Colchester.

GOLDEN WEDDING.

WODEHOUSE—DRANE.—On February 3rd, 1877, at St. John's Cathedral, Hong Kong, HENRY WODEHOUSE to ELEANOR DRANE. Present address: Ewart Lodge, Jameson-road, Bezhill-on-Sea.

DEATHS.

ANDREWS.—On March 5th, at Shanghai, Mrs. ALICE ANDREWS, wife of Capt. W. J. ANDREWS, aged 42 years.

BARTON.—On February 1st, at San Raphael, France, JOHN BARTON, formerly of Hong Kong.

Hong Kong Office: 11, Chater Rd. London Office: 121, Fleet St., E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, MARCH 12th, 1927.

"TERRORIST" METHODS AT SHANGHAI.

MRS. BORODIN AND HER FELLOW "COURIERS"
STILL IN CUSTODY.

SOVIET SEND ANOTHER STRONG NOTE TO
PEKING GOVERNMENT.

COLDSTREAM GUARDS' HEARTY RECEPTION
IN SHANGHAI.

ITALIAN MARINES FOR THE FAR EAST.

Extremists are still committing daring actions in the Shanghai International Settlement, and the mill-workers appear fully to sympathise with them, judging by the telegrams to hand.

The Coldstream Guards had a rousing reception on marching through the International Settlement. They are encamped at Jessfield Park, situated in the western district, and an ideal spot in every respect.

The Soviet Government has sent a second "strongly-worded" Note to the Peking Government regarding the Russian "couriers," including Mrs. Borodin, arrested on board the *Patina Lenin*. The lady is still in custody, and, according to report, her fellow-couriers have not yet been executed.

A telegram to hand from Teranto, Italy, states that the auxiliary ship *Volta* is leaving for the Far East with marine units aboard. Shanghai is probably their destination.

The military situation in Central China is somewhat difficult to grasp, and all that appears certain is that both Northern and Southern troops are still in the vicinity of Soochow, while the Shantung troops are moving along the banks of the Yangtze in the vicinity of Wuhu, with Nanking as their objective.

THE COLDSTREAM GUARDS IN SHANGHAI.

RECEIVE A ROUSING
RECEPTION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 11th.
Pouring rain greeted the Coldstream Guards when the Second Battalion landed on Chinese soil for the first time this afternoon, and headed by their band, marched five miles where bullets had been prepared at Jessfield Park.

Admiral Tyrwhitt, accompanied by General Duncan, took the salute at the entrance to the British Consulate, where British subjects mostly concentrated and as the Coldstream Guards swung along through the rain, they were welcomed by rousing cheers by their countrymen. The fine physique of the British Guardsmen evoked general admiration of the mixed crowd of Chinese and foreigners, which lined the Bund and Nanking Road. The men were in the pink of condition and cheerful. They will constitute a most useful addition to the Defence Force.

ITALIAN MARINES FOR THE FAR EAST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Taranto, March 11th.
The auxiliary ship *Volta* is leaving for the Far East with marine units aboard.

[EARLIER TELEGRAMS.]

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

"Hired Gunmen" Active at Shanghai.

SHANGHAI, March 11th.
There were further assassinations of loyal workers by hired gun-men yesterday.

A Chinese foreman of a Japanese cotton mill was shot dead on his way to work and a Chinese private detective, employed at another Japanese mill, was killed in the street.

The Wootung railway strike continues and there are sporadic strikes among cotton mills. For instance, 2,000 workers struck yesterday because the management removed from the walls posters advocating a workers' government and upholding the murder of loyal workers. At another mill, 4,000 workers struck as a protest against the firing of employees for negligence.

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MRS. BORODIN.

STILL DETAINED BY THE
NORTHERN ARMY.

REPORT OF EXECUTIONS
DENIED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, March 10th.

General Yang Yu Ting, who returned to Peking yesterday from Mukden, has officially informed Reuter this morning on behalf of Marshal Chang Tso Lin that when Marshal Chang Tsung Chang captured the s.s. *Patina Lenin* he fully reported the matter to Marshal Chang Tso Lin, declaring that the several Russians arrested on board had been plotting against the North, and asking what steps he should take.

Marshal Chang Tso Lin replied that those against whom clear, documentary evidence could be produced, should be dealt with drastically, the others to be released or detained.

General Yang Yu Ting emphasised in the course of the interview that Marshal Chang Tso Lin had not ordered any executions. Yesterday, Marshal Chang Tsung Chang sent a further report to Marshal Chang Tso Lin saying that all the arrested persons were being detained at Tsinanfu, and that no untoward incident had happened to them.

Marshal Chang Tso Lin wired to Marshal Chang Tsung Chang last night, emphasising the importance of the affair, and instructing Marshal Chang Tsung Chang to collect all possible evidence concerning the prisoners.

Marshals Chang Tso Lin and Chang Tsung Chang are closely co-operating in the matter and no execution can occur without their consent.

SOVIET SEND A SECOND STRONGLY-WORDED NOTE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, March 11th.

In a second strongly-worded Note the Soviet Government warns the Peking Government against the violation of the safety of the couriers of the s.s. *Patina Lenin*—which would compel the Soviet Government to take exceptional measures.

SHANGHAI NEWSPAPERS PLIGHT.

BETWEEN THE DEVIL AND
THE DEEP SEA.

LABOUR AGITATORS AND
NORTHERNERS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

The labour agitators in Shanghai are strongly denouncing one of the vernacular papers for printing the following:

"It is reliably reported that in view of the serious situation, the presence of the British and Shantung troops in Shanghai has prevented a great disaster during the course of the last few days. The British troops are being stationed in the lines around the International Settlement for the effective protection of foreign and native lives and properties within that territory, while the majority of the Shantung troops, whose strength is increasing day by day, are being concentrated at Lung-hua and Kaohsiangmiao for meeting emergencies. General Pi Shu Tseng is in command of the Shantung troops in Shanghai as well as of those warships in the Huang-poo River. Four warships of the Pohai Squadron have arrived here from Tsingtao and they are anchored before the Kiangnan Arsenal at Kaohsiangmiao."

The agitators accuse the paper of being a pro-British organ and the Chinese Press Association is threatening to cancel its membership of that body.

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NORTH AND SOUTH.

ATTEMPTS AT RECONCILIATION.

CHINESE COMMENT.

NANKING 'FLOODED WITH
MILITARY NOTES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, March 11th.

Mr. L. Simpson (Putnam Weale) has left here for the Yangtze Valley and his object is reported to be to get into touch informally with Soviet and Chinese leaders in the Kuomintang army who are in favour of domestic peace between the North and the South.

It is understood that Mr. Simpson is not an official representative of the Ankuochan or Marshal Chang Tso Lin though his mission has been undertaken with the knowledge of General Yang Yu Ting and other Fengtien moderate leaders.

Commenting upon the efforts of old foreign residents in China who are endeavouring to bring about peace out of the existing chaos, the *Shih Pao* and *Tung Fang Shih Pao* express great doubt about the possibility of final success in view of the repeated victories of the Cantonese over Northern forces and the fundamental differences in policy and aims of the Kuomintang and Fengtien parties. The reconciliation effected between Feng Yu Hsiang and Chang Tso Lin against Wu Pei Fu in 1924, and their subsequent break, is quoted as an example.

On the other hand, the *Shih Chieh Jih Pao* believes a temporary truce can be arranged between the Kuomintang and the Fengtien elements if Sun Chuan Fang and Wu Pei Fu are permitted to remain where they are at present to serve as "buffers" and thus prevent any direct contact between the Kuomintang extremists and the Fengtien conservatives on the battlefield.

Cost of Living in Kiangsu.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, March 11th.

Despatches from Nanking indicate that owing to the forced circulation of military notes by the Shantung troops in that city, the shops declared a general strike last Saturday and Sunday. Marshal Sun Chuan Fang has now established exchange offices in Nanking, Chienkiang, Soochow and Shanghai for cashing the Shantung notes. The markets of Kiangsu are being flooded with unexchangeable military notes circulated by the combined Shantung and Chihli armies and consequently, the cost of living has increased nearly three times in comparison with last month.

Surtaxes at Tientsin.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TIENTSIN, March 11th.

The Foreign Commissioner of Chihli reports that although the Japanese Consul-General has not withdrawn his protest against the imposition of the surtaxes by the Chinese Customs as yet, nevertheless, Japanese firms have been advised to pay them in accordance with the Chinese regulations. Consequently, the Sino-Japanese dispute over the collection of the surtaxes, as sanctioned by the 1922 Washington conference, has temporarily been settled pending the conclusion of a reciprocal Sino-Japanese tariff treaty or the reconvening of the international tariff conference.

The collection of the surtaxes is going smoothly at Tientsin under the control of the Superintendent of the Chinese Maritime Customs.

Supreme Importance of the Policy.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 11th.

"For the first time the supreme importance of our imperial air policy receives proper importance," declared Sir S. Hoare, in moving the adoption of the Air Estimates in the House of Commons. He stated that the foundations of our imperial policy had been laid and the frame work and structure were now showing above ground. He emphasised that an addition of the special flights was being carried out in the coming year. It was proposed to make long-distance Empire flights a regular part of the training of the Air Force squadrons. The Minister drew attention to the fact that the Estimates provided for an increase of nearly ten per cent. in the strength of the Air Force at three per cent. below last year's cost, while proof of the efficiency of the air command was shown in that the Iraq defence expenditure in 1921 was over £20,000,000, and was now one-tenth of that amount.

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THE BESSARABIAN TREATY.

JAPAN'S ATTITUDE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, March 11th.

Despite the Roumanian Foreign Minister's statement that Japan is expected to ratify the Bessarabian Treaty shortly, Reuter learns on the best of authority, that no such step is contemplated at present.

JAPAN'S WINDY WEATHER.

SMASHES SHANTIES IN TANGO.

OSAKA, March 11th.

Since last night, terrific wind has been experienced in Western Japan, attaining a velocity of 18 metres. No serious damage has been reported so far.

Reports from Tango Province state that the wind is smashing shanties.

FRANCE'S FUTURE.

WHAT A LEADING BANKER THINKS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, March 11th.

Le Matin, recalling M. Poincaré's financial achievements, reports that the Governor of the Bank of France stated that France's future could be predicted confidently.

A POLISH STRIKE.

200,000 TEXTILE WORKERS
AFFECTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WARSAW, March 11th.

The Government has taken a hand in the strike of the 200,000 textile workers of the Lodz District. They have invited the millowners to come to Warsaw to confer with the Minister of Trade.

The workers are demanding a 25 per cent. increase of wages. The owners offer six per cent. Hence the deadlock: Socialist circles are considering a sympathetic strike.

LEAGUE COUNCIL.

CHINESE DELEGATE HEARD
IN PUBLIC.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, March 10th.

Before the Council of the League, Mr. Chao Hsin Chu read the report of the League's Financial Committee, showing the progress made with various questions.

This is the first time that Mr. Chu has been heard in public sitting.

WHITE SLAVERY.

REPORT OF EXPERT COMMITTEE ON THE TRAFFIC.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, March 10th.

An unexampled picture of an underworld engaged in the intricate organisation of international traffic in women, is contained in the report of an Expert Committee which, in the course of its investigation, interviewed 6,600 persons, of whom 5,600 were connected with commercialised prostitution.

The Committee reaches the conclusion that the traffic has assumed a somewhat different character owing to precautions in various countries, hence it is of opinion that women now taken abroad were already prostitutes in their own country, though traffic is now confined to prostitutes. The experts emphasise the universal desire to stamp out the evil, but that circumstances in some countries make the task more difficult than in others. They declare that further action depends on strengthening the weak points in the international machinery by effective co-operation.

They express the opinion that the system of licensed houses is one of the chief causes of the existence of the evil, and cite the Singapore Government's condemnation thereof. The effect of State regulation everywhere has failed to provide the remedy of evils for which they were designed and the system has now almost entirely lost the support of expert medical opinion.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, in presenting the report to the council, observed that the increase in vigilance was directly attributable to the work of the League.

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NAVAL CONFERENCE.

BRITAIN'S ACCEPTANCE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, March 10th.

The British Government has instructed the British Ambassador to accept the proposal for a three-Power Disarmament Conference.

KING ALFONSO ILL.

SUFFERING FROM
INFLUENZA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MADRID, March 10th.

An official bulletin states that King Alfonso is confined to bed with influenza, with local pleuro-pulmonary symptoms on the right side.

Temperature Normal.

LATER.

King Alfonso's condition has distinctly improved, and his temperature last night was normal.

URUGUAYAN ARMEN.

NOW AT CAPE JUBY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, March 10th.

The missing Uruguayan airmen have arrived safely at Cape Juby.

BRITAIN'S TRADE.

FIGURES FOR FEBRUARY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 10th.

The Board of Trade returns for February are as follows:—

Imports, £23,851,000, as compared with £113,600,000 for the month of January.

Exports, £23,937,000, as compared with £25,421,000 for the month of January.

NEW BISHOP.

FATHER WALSH ELEVATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ROME, March 10th.

His Holiness the Pope has raised the Apostolic Prefecture of Kongmoon to a Vicariate and appointed the Rev. J. E. Walsh, Apostolic Vicar.

[Father Walsh's elevation to a

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

SHIELD SEMI-FINALS
TO-DAY.

THREE LEAGUE MATCHES.

The semi-finals in the Senior and Junior Shield Competitions will be played this afternoon, and there will be three Junior Division League matches, two in the "A" Section and one in the "B" Section.

A feature of the semi-finals of the Shield Competitions is that of the eight teams remaining, seven are composed of Britishers. The Senior Shield is entirely in British hands, the Chinese Athletic "A" team being the only other representative in the Junior Shield Competition.

The following games are down for decision to-day:—

H.K.F.A. Challenge Shields:
Semi-Finals.

Junior.

Kick-off at 2.30 p.m.

China Athletic "A" v. K.O.S.B.'s Reserves, Hong Kong F.C. ground. Referee: Capt. Austin, M.C. M.M. Linesmen: Messrs. Stokes and Cowan.

Kowloon Reserves v. H.K.F.C. Reserves, Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Gilbert. Linesmen: Messrs. Mackie and Omar.

Senior.

Kick-off at 4.30 p.m.

Hong Kong Police v. K.O.S.B.'s, Hong Kong F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Baldwin. Linesmen: Messrs. Phillips and Lamb.

R.A. v. Kowloon, Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee: Messrs. Mr. Davies, Linesmen: Messrs. Lonsdale and Gilmour.

The above games will be of ninety minutes duration. Extra time will be played if necessary.

Hong Kong League.

Division II, "A".

Kick-off at 3 p.m.

South China Reserves v. University, South China ground. Referee: Mr. Samy.

China Athletic "B" v. Club de Recreio Reserves, St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Lamb.

Division II, "B".

Kick-off at 3 p.m.

South China v. Kowloon "B", Sookunpoo "B" ground. Referee: Mr. Gilmour.

The semi-finals of the Challenge Shields should attract a large following to-day.

At Sookunpoo, the holders (Kowloon) will be out against the R.A. Leach, will lead the Gunners' attack and Kowloon will be without Wheeler. The visitors are expected to win and appear in the final for the fifth year in succession.

Kowloon have a very lively forward line, all goal scorers and the Gunners' defence will have a busy time.

The game on the H.K.F.C. ground between the Police and Borderers will be worth watching. Both teams have showed improved form lately. Johnson strengthened the Police attack when they won against the Club in a League game and with Post and Hudson made a dangerous trio. The K.O.S.B.'s have a very strong line in Barham, Davey and Everest and they should hold the Police forwards. Britain and Wynne will have a busy time against the Rev. Alexander and McGlinchey. The game is expected to go the full time, i.e., ninety minutes plus twenty.

The Borderers Reserves will find it hard to beat the China Athletic "A". The military team has gone through the League with honours but shield games are played in a different manner. On form the K.O.S.B.'s should win.

A very keen game will be seen at Sookunpoo between the Club and Kowloon Reserve teams. Both are confident of winning. Kowloon will have to find a man to replace Wheeler in the first team's defence and this should give the Club the advantage. A further meeting between these teams would not come as a surprise.

Three games are down for the Junior League, but neither will upset the leaders of either division. Wins for the University, Club de Recreio and Kowloon are expected.

Friendly Football Match.

Recreio 1st XI v. Royal Air Force, to-day, at 4 p.m. on Recreio ground at King's Park.

HOME FOOTBALL.

FULL LEAGUE PROGRAMME.

MATCHES TO BE PLAYED
TO-DAY.

There will be a full programme in all Divisions of the English League and also in the Scottish League to-day. The following are the matches down for decision, according to the fixture lists:—

English League: Division I.

Birmingham v. Manchester U. Blackburn R. v. Newcastle U. Bury v. Bolton W. Everton v. Leeds U. Huddersfield T. v. Burnley. Leicester C. v. Liverpool. Wednesday v. Arsenal. Sunderland v. Cardiff C. Tottenham H. v. Derby C. West Brom A. v. Aston Villa. West Ham U. v. Sheffield U.

Division II.

Barnsley v. Middlesbrough. Blackpool v. Hull City. Darlington v. Southampton. Fulham v. Preston N.E. Grimsby T. v. South Shields. Manchester C. v. Port Vale. Nottingham F. v. Clapham O. Oldham A. v. Chelsea. Portsmouth v. Bradford C. Reading v. Wolves. Swansea T. v. Notts County.

Division III (Southern).

Aberdare v. Luton T. B'mouth and H.A. v. Exeter C. Bristol City v. Swindon T. Charlton A. v. Bristol Rovers. Coventry C. v. Brentford. Crystal Pal. v. Northampton. Gillingham v. Norwich City. Newport C. v. Southend U. Plymouth A. v. Merthyr T. Queen's Park R. v. Millwall. Watford v. Brighton and H.A.

Division III (Northern).

Ashington v. Tranmere. Bradford v. Halifax T. Chesterfield v. Durham C. Doncaster R. v. Hartlepool U. Nelson v. Accrington S. New Brighton v. Rochdale. Rotherham U. v. Barrow. Stoke C. v. Crewe A. Walsall v. Lincoln C. Wigan B. v. Stockport C. Wrexham v. Southport.

Scottish League: Division I.

Clyde v. Aberdeen. Cowdenbeath v. Celtic. Dundee v. St. Johnstone. Falkirk v. St. Mirren. Hamilton A. v. Dunfermline. Hibernians v. Dundee United. Kilmarnock v. Motherwell. Morton v. Partick Thistle. Queen's Park v. Hearts. Rangers v. Airdrieonians.

SWANSEA DEFEAT NOTTS
FOREST.

[THROCKMORTON'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 10th. Playing in the Second Division of the English League, Swansea defeated Notts Forest by two goals to one.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

PRACTICE MATCH ON
MONDAY.

The Rugby Section of the Football Club are holding an organised practice at Happy Valley at 5.30 p.m. on Monday next.

All players and prospective players are asked to make every effort to attend. It is hoped that it will be possible to arrange more frequent matches and to give games to all who desire them.

Will all who wish to play please send in their names and position in the field to Mr. C. D. Wales, c/o Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.

The entrance fee and annual subscription to the Hong Kong Football Club are each \$5, and the same should be paid to the treasurer, Mr. J. B. Milne, c/o Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

SEASICKNESS CURE.

MAY BE FOUND AT NEW
RESEARCH INSTITUTE.

It may be possible to discover a method of preventing seasickness, which is said to be linked with the labyrinth behind the ear, said Mr. T. R. Fennell, when he formally handed over to Prince Arthur of Connaught, as chairman of the Middlesex Hospital in Mortimer-street, W., the Ferens Institute of Otolaryngology (for research into diseases of the ear, nose, and throat), established as the result of Mr. Ferens's gift of £20,000.

After Mr. Ferens had handed over the institute Mr. Bernard Baron, the chairman of Ferens, Ltd., the tobacco firm, announced that he would endow a British post-graduate studentship of £200 a year.

Prince Arthur of Connaught said that such an institute was unique, not only in Great Britain but in the world.

The institute consists of a general laboratory, three smaller research laboratories, museum and library, common room, photography dark room, lecture room, and directors' room.

GOLF.

FANLING.

TO-MORROW'S STARTING
TIMES.

9.23 a.m.	W. J. Clerk and C. B. Robertson.
9.33	A. J. Bolas and D. M. Goodall.
9.38	Capt. Morris and E. P. Fletcher.
9.40	G. E. Towns and R. A. Green.
9.44	J. P. Sherry and T. Megarry.
9.49	C. B. Johnson and G. E. Layton.
9.52	A. H. Penn and L. M. S. Lloyd.
9.58	J. R. Sturt and X. Edwards.
10.00	A. D. Humphreys and A. V. Peel.
10.04	H. E. Standage and G. A. L. Rickett.
10.08	J. F. Kennedy and H. M. Muir.
10.12	A. Leach and F. H. Crappell.
10.16	A. B. Raworth and M. H. Turner.
10.20	A. W. Roberts and S. T. Butlin.
10.24	J. Coulthart and W. M. Cox.
10.28	L. W. D. Brown and G. Davidson.
10.32	D. Forbes and F. B. Jones.
10.36	F. G. Xaux and D. H. Blake.
10.40	W. Ironside and T. Low.
10.44	P. P. J. Wodehouse and J. S. McLaren.
10.48	L. G. S. Dodwell and A. C. I. Bowker.
10.52	H. F. Bloxham and L. R. Andrews.
10.56	T. L. Christie and J. Harrop.
11.00	E. J. Mahon and W. C. Murray.
11.04	D. Appleton and J. W. Robertson.
11.08	C. C. Stark and J. H. Hearn.
11.12	N. K. Littlejohn and C. J. Waddell.
11.16	R. J. Rawlinson and Comdr. Finlayson.
11.20	G. E. Ellams and C. B. Brown.
11.24	N. L. Smith and E. des Vaux.
11.28	P. J. Shenton and B. Petheram.
11.32	W. Pittendrigh and J. H. Wallace.
11.36	H. V. Ireland and H. Spicer.
11.40	L. H. Geare and W. Douglas.
11.44	G. Murray and W. L. Dunbar.
11.48	R. W. Lee and E. D. Black.
11.52	T. C. Monaghan and A. O. Brown.
11.56	S. C. Feltham and S. Cox.
12.00 p.m.	G. Grimble and C. Thwaites.

To-morrow's Fixture.

The only competition arranged at Fanling for this week-end is the final of the Junior Championship, which will be played to-morrow (Sunday) over 36 holes.

The finalists are W. J. Clerk and C. B. Robertson.

INTERPORT RIFLE
SHOOTING.

ANNUAL EVENT IN MAY?

The annual interport shooting match will take place between April 15th and May 31st. The actual date for the shoot will most likely be on Sunday, May 28th.

The match is open to teams from Shanghai, Hong Kong, Penang and Singapore, picked from residents who have resided in the port for at least six months. Members of any units of the Army and Royal Navy stationed in the port are eligible to shoot, says the *Straits Times*.

The conditions for the shoot will be the same as for the King's 1st Stage of the previous year (i.e., National Rifle Association).

The last time Singapore won the shield was in 1924. Last year Shanghai took first place with Hong Kong second and Singapore a good last.

This year Singapore intend to make a determined effort to get back "the ashes," and frequent practices have been arranged during the next two months.

[The last time Hong Kong won was in 1925.]

Local Match.

In a rifle meeting held at the beginning of this week at Stonecutters between the Royal Marines Old Comrades Association and a team from H.M.S. *Tamar*, the Old Comrades won by 33 points. Some excellent scores were made. Teams were 12 a side, with the best eight scores to count.

R.M.O.C.A.

Mr. Gossett	125
O'Neill	122
Frith	112
Griffiths	111
Williams	109
West	99
Collins	96
Young	86
Total	800

(Continued on next column.)

YACHTING NOTES.

INTERESTING DETAILS.

[BY CHAO KUNG.]

Club v. Ladies' event which was postponed last Sunday, on account of the boisterous weather is now provisionally arranged for Sunday, March 20th. At the next meeting I believe the contest is to be for teams of 4 boats; the ladies have been reduced in numbers, but not in enthusiasm, by departures on Home leave. They will probably be strengthened by the return of Mrs. J. L. Adams from leave.

The result of the 1st event for Cruisers which should have taken place on Sunday, February 20th, is now down for sailing on Sunday next. I believe the starters are to be asked to sail the race with no time limit. The Sailing Committee are anticipating that in sheer cussedness the pixies, when they learn of this condition, will send "lashings" of wind. The Championship is still open, with *U* and *La Cigale* by 6 points, *Feathers* and *Norseman* are tied for 4th place with 23 points.

The Services members have laid down very sporting conditions for their handsome prizes. All classes are to compete together on sealed handicaps which are to be fixed on the day of the race as is the course. The winning boat of each class will receive a prize. The Service members are placing their boats at the disposal of those civilian members or their wives, who do not themselves own boats. A most keenly contested race is expected.

A good example of what can be accomplished when a spirit of compromise pervades is shown by the report of the meeting of the International Conference at yacht measurement held in London recently.

The Gulf between the "International" rule which is adopted by all European and some American nations, and the "Universal" (i.e.) rule of North American has been greatly reduced. It appears probable that when the question of revision of the formula of the "International" rule comes up, as it does in a year or two, we shall then get a rule that will be internationally Universal or if one prefers it the other way Universally International.

I hear there is a great probability of *Ulanovon*, the 6 metre designed, and built in Singapore by Mr. Blake, being fitted out and raced on the Solent in the coming season. It will be interesting to see how she fares for she is "up against" some of the finest examples of design in the 6 metre class. Mr. John Stephen's boat for the 8 metre class will be eagerly looked for. His *Coila III*, designed by himself and built in his own yard, held her position at the top of the 6 metre class over a span of 3 years. This is truly remarkable when it is remembered that he was opposed by many boats from these great home designers Fife, Nicholson and Milne and also foreign competitors in Anker the Norwegian and Crane of America.

HOCKEY.

H.K.H.C. v. 5/2ND PUNJABIS.

This game will take place on Wednesday at 5 p.m. sharp on the U.S.R.C. ground.

H.K.H.C.—S. H. Garrod, Major Croker, R.A.M.C., D. Lyon, A. A. Dand, E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), Major J. P. S. Glegg, R.E., G. B. Slipper, R.M.C., E. L. Sim and G. P. Lammert.

Counted out: Major Bamford 51, Mr. Kent 53, McFall 43, Rooney 76.

H.M.S. "TAMAR": Corpl. Jenkins 119, Sergt. Quantance 129, Mne. McCracken 109, Milham 107.

Clarke 98, Sergt. Walbourn 98, Corpl. Bulwell 95, Bgr Sullivan 88.

Total 825.

Counted out: Sergt. Riddler 63, Mne. Fulcher 84, Rolfe 84, Sergt. Bulley 78.

LAWN TENNIS.

FINCHER'S FINE VICTORY.

SEVERAL MATCHES DECIDED.

Chief interest yesterday centred in the match between M. K. Lo and R. C. Fincher in the Open Singles Championship of the Colony. The two had previously met last week, when, with the score at one set all, play was abandoned on account of rain.

Fincher was in his true form yesterday and won in no uncertain way by three sets to love. The match was well fought, however, and the standard of play was good throughout. The two players have very different styles and tactics and the methods by which they tried to outmanoeuvre each other made the match more interesting to watch. Fincher's chief asset, the chop stroke, greatly troubled his opponent and he used it with effect. His backhand chops, which had a lot of spin, were hard to take and he often sent the balls across the court deep into his opponent's backhand corner. He was serving extremely well and his service had plenty of sting behind it. He seldom ventured up to the net, but when he did he usually won the point. On the run of play he was slightly the superior of the two.

Lo was evidently the more experienced player and he won many points by his understanding of the science of the game. He relied mainly on driving and often killed Fincher's returns at the net, but was himself many times passed down the side lines. He did more running about the net and was feeling the strain of the match at the end.

The game opened very fast and from two all, Fincher brought the score to 5-2 and then won the first set at 6-3. The second set was the best of the match. Both players were at their best and each won his service in the first ten games. At 6-5, Fincher broke through Lo's service and won the set at 7-5. Lo fell off after this and Fincher ran away with a lead of 4-1 lead in the third set, and eventually won it at 6-3.

Yew Man Tsun proved himself a good deal better than Pendered. The winner has developed a forceful forehand drive and on the general run of play seems to have improved. He is hitting and serving harder than formerly.

Honda and Akiyama, who are partnering for the first time this year, form one of the strongest Japanese pairs seen locally for many years. They easily accounted for Dr. Craig and Sparrow in the first round of the Open Doubles Championship of the Colony and now meet their compatriots Ema and Edo.

Several other matches were played yesterday, the scores of which appear below.

The tournament will continue on Monday.

Open Singles.

First Round.

E. C. Fincher beat M. K. Lo, 6-3; 7-5; 6-3.
J. Casamblay beat T. Sakiki, 7-5; 6-3; 6-4.
C. C. Stark walk over from F. T. Orr.

Second Round.

Yew Man Tsun beat T. D. E. Pendered, 6-0; 6-1; 6-2.
R. M. Henderson beat C. Choa, 8-6; 6-1; 6-3.

Open Doubles.

T. Honda and H. Akiyama beat Dr. J. Craig and W. L. B. Sparrow, 6-1; 6-0; 6-0.

F. A. Redmond beat R. K. Valentine, 8-3; 8-5; 4-6; 9-0.
Handicap Singles "B":
P. E. Barker (rec. 4/8) beat H. C. MacNamara (rec. 15/3), 6-4; 9-7.

RACING NOTES.

[By RAPIER.]

Fanning Hunt.

The Paper Chase on Sunday is over a six mile course laid by Mr. W. Stanton and the going is good. Mr. Stanton has given a cup and this will be presented to the winner of the race by Mrs. R. J. Patterson.

Motor buses leave the Hunters Arms for the starting point at 10.45 and the 9.30 train from Kowloon is the best one to catch. Those who have not ordered tickets and I understand very few have done so, should take out sandwiches as the Hunters Arms culinary machinery is not sufficiently strong to bear any additional strain.

Kwanti Steeplechase Meeting. Saturday, April 9th, has been provisionally selected as the date for the next Steeplechase Meeting.

Macao Race Meeting. This is being held on the 19th and 21st inst. and most Hong Kong riders have been invited to take part in the races. There are seven races on the card on the first day including a race for subscription funds. On the second day there are nine races and a race has been again added to give subscription griffin owners a chance to pick up a little money. The Race Course is well worth a visit and good sport is assured.

CRICKET.

BATTING AND BOWLING AVERAGES.

Capt. Dobbie, of Interport fame, played his fourth innings at Kowloon against the Royal Navy on Tuesday. He has now reached the leading position in the First Division batting list with an average of one hundred. Gittens (U.) has improved his position, while Dr. Samy appears for the first time. In the bowling Capt. Dobbie and A. A. Rumjahn show better figures than they did a week ago.

In the Second Division, the Indian players remain permanently in the list. They have completed their League programme, and two of them are leading in the batting. Four of their representatives are in the batting and five in the bowling.

The averages follow:—

BATTING.						
Division I.						
Players.	No. of	Runs.		Inns.		Average
	Inns.	In	Out	In	Out	
Capt. Dobbie (K.O.S.B.)	4	200	119	1		100.00
A. W. Hayward (H.K.C.C.)	5	231	79	1		57.75
G. R. Sayer (C.S.C.C.)	9	423	118	1		52.87
A. A. Rumjahn (U.)	8	209	89	2		52.25
Lt. Emley (R.N.)	4	89	33	2		49.50
H. N. Balhatchet (U.)	4	141	123	1		47.00
Lt. Hanky (K.O.S.B.)	5	172	104	1		43.00
E. C. Fincher (K.C.C.)	8	199	68	3		39.80
F. Goodwin (K.C.C.)	6	194	61	1		38.80
B. D. Evans (O.S.C.C.)	5	140	75	1		35.00
A. H. Madar (I.R.O.)	6	187	62	1		33.40
A. W. Ramsay (K.C.C.)	8	317	84	1		31.00
Capt. Thorp (K.O.S.B.)	4	115	36	0		28.75
S. V. Gittins (U.)	7	197	60	0		28.14
Capt. Evers (H.K.C.C.)	4	183	72	1		27.68
W. Brace (K.C.C.C.)	8	198	43	1		26.85
Lt. Col. Cantrell (R.N.)	4	100	43	0		25.00
F. Baker (C.S.C.C.)	6	118	23	1		23.20
Dr. D. K. Samy (U.)	6	138	55	0		23.00
F. J. Ling (C.S.C.C.)	5	66	31	2		23.00
S. H. Ismail (I.R.O.)	5	87	47	1		21.75
T. E. Yeoh (C.B.C.)	6	129	33	0		21.50
U. M. Omar (C.C.C.)	6	124	52	0		20.68
O. Ismail (C.C.C.)	6	123	49	0		20.50
A. E. Wood (C.S.C.C.)	8	160	58	0		20.00

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Captain F. H. Elderton, Royal Indian Marine, whose appointment as temporary Commander, R.N., was gazetted early in February, is to carry out the duties of Principal Naval Transport Officer at Shanghai. Captain Elderton, now 62, has many associations with China. During the Boxer troubles of 1900 he was twice mentioned in despatches for service as Principal Transport Officer, and was appointed a member of the D.S.O. In the late war he was Divisional Naval Transport Officer at Rouen and at Dover, and was made a C.M.G. He married the eldest daughter of Mr. A. M. Eckford, of Chiffa, China. The gunboats *Aphis* and *Ladybird*, which are on their way out to China, are to be regarded as independent commands for service on the China Station. Their accounts will be transferred, on arrival, to H.M.S. *Bee*, flagship of Rear-Admiral J. E. Cameron, at Hapkw.

H.M.S. *Farmouth*, Captain W. N. Custance, is to make a voyage to China with relief crews for ships on this station. The *Farmouth*, which is attached to the Signal School, Portsmouth, was to complete repairs on February 5th, and to be ready to leave about the middle of the month. Among those taking passage in her is Commander V. E. Ward, lately commanding the *Zoa*, with the Portsmouth Submarine Flotilla, who is coming out to join the cruiser *Vindictive*, in which Commander C. A. Merriman has completed two years. Lieutenant-Commander C. St. C. Ingham and A. L. Poland, D.S.C., selected to command the gunboats *Mourhen* and *Robin* respectively, will also come out in the *Farmouth*.

Twenty-four officers, Royal Artillerymen, and members of the Army Service Corps, to the number of 880, embarked on the Blue Funnel liner *Bellerophon*. In addition there were on board about four hundred horses and mules and a number of heavy motor wagons and stores.

The following appointments were made by the Admiralty on February 5th:—Captain L. W. Braithwaite, C.M.G., to *Hawkins*, in command, and as Flag Captain and Chief of Staff to Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Y. Tyrwhitt, as Commander Second class (February 1st) Lieutenant-Commander S. St. C. Ingham, to *Mourhen*, addl. (February 4th), and in command (undated), previous orders cancelled. Payr. Comdr. L. R. Barker, to *Tamar* (April 10th). Payr. Lieut. A. L. Craig-Jefferys, to *Hawkins*, addl. (temp., for duty in Admiral's office (on relief). Payr. Sub-Lieut. G. F. Franklin, to *Hawkins*, addl. (temp., for duty in Admiral's office (on relief). The granting of the rank of commander, second class, to Captain L. W. Braithwaite brings the China Command into line with those in the Mediterranean and Atlantic, in which the chiefs of staff are granted rank of commanders. The responsibilities of the C.O.S. in China are naturally much increased owing to the present situation.

Fifteen new warships for the Royal Navy are due to be completed this year, including the battleships *Nelson* and *Rodney*. The list also includes the four new river gunboats for China, of which the *Perse* is to be finished in June, the *Tern* in July, the *Gannet* in August, and the *Seagull* in September.

KING HUSSEIN DYING IN
EXILE.

SHERIFF FOUNDER OF
MECCA THRONE.

A telegram from Adana, Asia Minor, dated February 13th, says that King Hussein, the former King of the Hedjaz, who lives a lonely exile in Cyprus, is dying.

Hussein, the Sheriff of Mecca, who was proclaimed first King of Hedjaz during the war, has had a remarkable career.

He claims direct descent from the great Caliph Ali, son-in-law of the prophet Mohammed, and was the leader of the Arab revolt during the war against Turkish misrule, which culminated in the independence of his Arabian kingdom.

Hussein is now seventy-one years of age.

His former kingdom is the spiritual centre of the Moslem world, and contains Mecca and Medina, the Holy Cities, to which millions of people daily direct their prayers.

In his palace at Mecca he insisted on up-to-date fittings, including a telephone—No. 1 Mecca.

An unsuccessful war with the fanatical Wahabias (Puritans) resulted in his being deposed by Ibn Saud, the present king. He travelled from Mecca to his banishment in the motor-car given to him by Signor Mussolini, and with treasure estimated to be worth £250,000.

King Feisal, of Mesopotamia, is King Hussein's son.

OPERATIONS WITHOUT
RISK.

TRIUMPHS OF MODERN
SURGERY.

BODY CONQUERED.

Princess Mary, wearing academic robes, and Viscount Lascelles, were among the distinguished company assembled in the Royal College of Surgeons, London, when Sir Berkeley Berkeley delivered the Hunterian oration.

Sir Berkeley said they were celebrating that day the 180th anniversary of the birth of John Hunter, and commemorating his services to the science and art of surgery. This year they would also celebrate the centenary of Lister.

Man's life, said Sir Berkeley, was one long warfare. Man—the whole human race—was beset by unrelenting, relentless enemies. "Against them, our defence, if ever we are to subdue them," he went on, "must be carefully planned and diligently strengthened."

In this centenary year of Lister we rejoice to claim the greatest victory ever won by mankind against our enemies. Those who are in active work to-day are, perhaps, unable to measure the extent of the victory, for during the long fight, lasting, it may be said, for sixty years, standards have become so altered that it is impossible to compare or to contrast our work with that of our intellectual ancestors.

Operations, which from time immemorial were so mortal as to be prohibitive," said Sir Berkeley, "are now matters of everyday occurrence. Operations formerly unimaginable are now performed without anxiety."

Dead Houses.

He recalled the days when hospitals were regarded as dead houses, and often had to be closed for weeks or months until the pest had passed away, and said that to-day it was not so much a question of making the operation safe, as to make the patient safe after surgery. The performance of operations was now almost free from risk.

"The implication," said Sir Berkeley, "is that we are at the end of an epoch—undoubtedly the greatest epoch in our history—the epoch in which the manipulations of the surgeon have been robbed of the prohibitive dangers which formerly repelled. Now, when failure comes, it is almost always the failure of the individual rather than of the principles, and the methods of which Lister laid the eternal and unshakable foundations. The whole body, from the crown to the heel, has become our indisputable kingdom in which we are free to wander almost at will, free from the menace of hideous possibilities which frightened our ancestors."

Physiologists, he said, should stand by the bedside. "There are some things physiologists can learn more from man than from mice," said Sir Berkeley, who deplored the length of the divorce between physiology and surgery. That divorce had operated lamentably to the disadvantage of both.

GROUNDING OF THE
"ASIATIC PRINCE."

At the conclusion of the Marine inquiry on March 5th into the grounding of the M.V. *Asiatic Prince*, the court found that the mishap was due to the following causes:—An abnormal set of the tide in a direction contrary to that marked on the chart; an uncertain compass error on the course on which the ship was sailing; the fact that Sandegan was mistaken for Cabiao, the latter being entirely obscured by rain at the moment and for some time previous to the accident. The court also found that, considering all the circumstances, the master would have been better advised to reduce speed and set a course more in the centre of the channel. The costs of the court were ordered to be paid by the Attorney-General.

WRONGLY IMPRISONED
BRITISH SAILORS.

£1,000 FOR CAPT. JOYS' WIDOW.

The French Government have agreed to make grants to the widows of Captain Joys and Chief Officer. Buxton, of the British steamship *Edith Cavell*, whose deaths were attributed to the effect of their imprisonment in French Guiana.

Captain Joys and Mr. Buxton were arrested on a false charge of throwing away their vessel, and were confined for some weeks under such harassing conditions that their health was affected, and they both died some time after their return to England, following unconditional release.

Captain Joys' widow is to be paid £1,000, and Mr. Buxton's widow £750.

Chief Engineer Smith, who was detained for a few days, is to receive £250. Mr. A. M. Samuel, Parliamentary Secretary to the Overseas Trade Department, announced the grants in the House of Commons, in reply to Sir Basil Peto. He said that in response to representations made by Lord Crewe, British Ambassador in Paris, the French Government had agreed to make the grants ex gratia.

SHIP THAT NEVER SAW
THE SEA.

The end of H.M.S. *Fame*, the frigate that never saw the sea, is rapidly approaching. For over 30 years she has stood where she was built, embedded in the great asphalted court in front of the Royal Greenwich Hospital School, and has trained thousands of embryo seamen. Three years ago the Admiralty decided to remove the school to a site at Holbrook on the banks of the Stour, and although some time must still elapse before the transfer can be effected, it was resolved on grounds of economy to expend no more money on the vessel's upkeep. The ship was beginning to show many signs of decay, both in hull and top-hammer, and it was clear that considerable sums would be required to put her in proper repair. As an alternative the *Fame* was condemned, and her dismantling was begun. Masts and rigging have already disappeared, and in the course of a few months the hull itself will be broken up for firewood. Thus passes one of the sights of London. The new Suffolk site for the school was presented by Mr. G. S. Reade in admiration of the Navy's services during the war.

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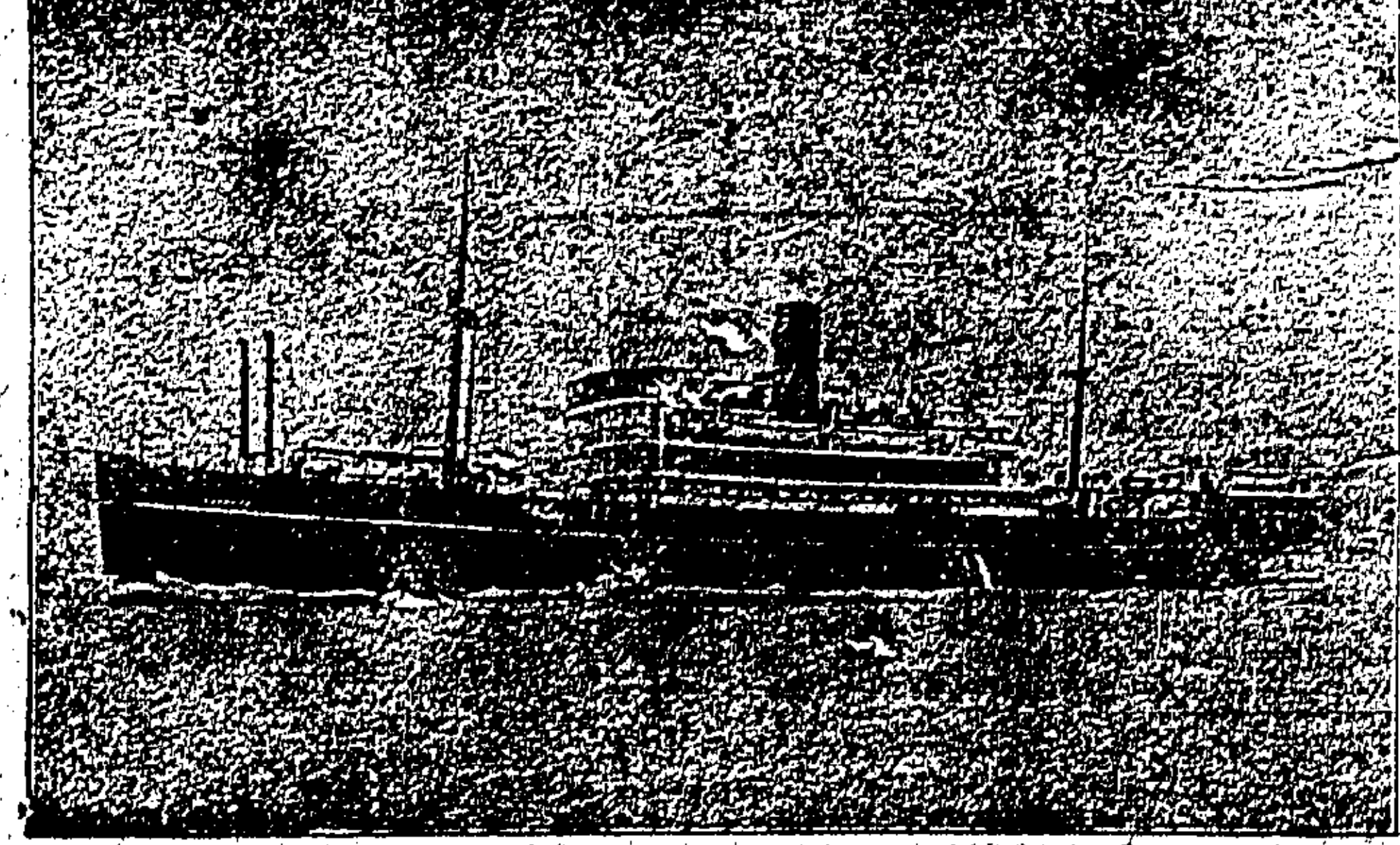
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EMPEROR OF CANADA	June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
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Daily Statement, Shipping Notes, Vessels Expected, etc.

YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

THROUGH & LOCAL CARGOES LOW.

BRITISH ENTRIES GOOD.

The total amount of general cargo for Hong Kong and other ports as registered by the vessels arriving here during the 24 hours ended at 5 a.m. yesterday was 4,175 tons, of which 3,463 tons were British ships, and 712 tons were from other countries. The thirteen vessels arriving, six British ships carried over 50 per cent. of the cargo landed here and manifested for ports beyond. There were 7,510 tons of general merchandise discharged here by eight steamers. Of these, 4,175 tons were from British bottoms. The two best returns were 2,300 tons from the British steamer *Kingman* from Bangkok and 1,892 tons from the *s.s. Bunting* (Danish) from Bangkok and Swatow.

For ports beyond Hong Kong there were 7,035 tons manifested. These were carried by five vessels, of which three British steamers, accounted for 3,463 tons. The two best returns were 2,000 tons manifested on the *s.s. Polyphemus* (British) from Singapore, and the Italian vessel *Viminale*, from Yokohama and Shanghai carried 2,223 tons.

During the period under review there were 13 arrivals and 17 departures. They were: British, 6 arrivals and 7 departures; Japanese, 1 arrival and 4 departures; Norwegian, 3 arrivals, 2 departures; Danish, 1 arrival; Dutch, 1 departure; French, 1 departure; American, 1 arrival; Italian, 1 arrival and 1 departure.

There were 65 vessels in port, of which, 25 were British. The following were the cargo carriers:—

S.S. Huiching (British) from Foochow and Swatow, 200 tons general for Hong Kong.
S.S. Polyphemus (British) from Singapore, 105 tons general for Hong Kong, and 2,000 for other ports.
S.S. Kingman (British) from Bangkok, 2,300 tons general for Hong Kong.
S.S. Kancho (British) from Shanghai and Amoy, 825 tons general for Hong Kong and 103 tons for other ports.
S.S. Shantung (British) from Shanghai and Swatow, 740 tons general for Hong Kong and 460 tons for other ports.
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S.S. Herando (Norwegian) from Bangkok and Swatow, 1,699 tons general for Hong Kong and 349 tons for other ports.
S.S. Nishin Maru (Japanese) from Sakito, 2,000 tons coal for Hong Kong and 765 tons for other ports.
S.S. Haiman (Chinese) from Kanton, 150 tons general for Hong Kong.
S.S. Tak Ling (Chinese) from Amoy, 4 p.c. general for Hong Kong.
The following two vessels arrived in ballast:—
S.S. Glenaville (British) from Vladivostok and Shanghai.
S.S. Warrior (American) from New York and Saigon.

SHIPPING NOTES.

The total number of deck passengers entering the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 5 a.m. yesterday was 486. Most of them were from Swatow, and 167 being from Singapore.

The Danish vessel, *Bunting*, from Swatow, reports that three deaths occurred on board. The causes are not stated.

While the *s.s. Kwai Sang* was at the quarantine anchorage on Thursday afternoon an unknown Chinese jumped overboard. A lifeboat was immediately lowered and a search made, but the man was not seen again.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Calchas (Blue Funnel), due March 18th.

Empress of Canada (C.P.R.), due March 18th.

Eumachus (Blue Funnel), due March 24th.

Hector (Blue Funnel), due April 2nd.

Khyber (P. & O.), due Monday, about 5 a.m.

Saarland (Hamburg-Amerika Linie) due to-morrow.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks issued by the Royal Observatory at 6 p.m. stated:—

The anti-cyclone has weakened moderately. A depression appears to be forming over the S.W. China. Local forecast:—East winds, fresh, overcast, rain.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, March 11th.

Previous On Date On Date

Day at 2 p.m. at 6 a.m. at 8 p.m.

Barometer... 30.03 29.98 29.94

Temperature... 67 61 61

Humidity... 67 65 76

Wind... ESE E East

Force... 4 4 0

Weather... 0 0 0

Rain... 0.00 0.00 0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 10th: 63

Lowest open-air Temperature, 11th: 59

B-Blue sky; C-Cloudy; D-Drizzle; F-Fog; L-Lightning;

M-Mist; O-Overcast; P-Passing showers; Q-Squalls; R-Rain; T-Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From March 18th to 18th, 1927.

High Water. Low Water.

Days of Week Date of Month

Hong Kong Standard Time Height

Hong Kong Standard Time Height

Sat. 12 h. m. h. m. h. m. h. m.

Sun. 13 m 7 18 4 2 m 9 12 4 1

Mon. 14 m 8 14 4 3 m 0 45 1 7

Tues. 15 m 9 12 4 5 m 8 12 1 3

Wed. 16 m 9 22 4 6 m 1 18 3 6

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